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## TREASURY FRAUDS.

## GOVERNMENT'S ACTION AGAINST BANK.

## MR. POTTER SAYS ISSUE FOR JURY IS SIMPLE ONE.

## A QUESTION OF TRUTH.

Whichever side won, there was every reason to hope that a very large amount of the money would eventually be recovered, said Mr. Eldon Potter in opening the case before the Chief Justice and a Special Jury, at the Supreme Court this morning, in which the Hongkong Government is suing the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation for the re-crediting of a sum of \$260,407.93 as a sequel to the Treasury frauds for which Curvalho Yeo was last year sentenced to ten years' hard labour.

The Government contends that the cheques were forgeries, but this is denied by the Bank, which, in its statement of defence, makes certain allegations of negligence on the part of the Government.

Mr. Potter, in a lengthy opening, said the issue was a simple one for the jury—they had to decide whether or not the cheques were forged. Seventy-five per cent. of the facts were, he said, admitted.

A further statement of Mr. Potter's was that it would have been easy for the Government to have brought the action before, but they decided to defer the civil proceedings in order that the wrongdoer might be brought to justice.

It was also stated that Mr. Black and Mr. Messer would swear that the signatures on the disputed cheques were not theirs. Truth, said Mr. Potter, would be the deciding factor. He did not think Mr. Black and Mr. Messer were telling lies; therefore, if they were telling the truth, the cheques were invalid.

## TREASURY PROCEDURE EXPLAINED

The Hon. Attorney General, as representing the Government, is plaintiff in the action, but the Government case is in the hands of Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. H. G. Sheldon, instructed by Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, Assistant Crown Solicitor; whilst Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. D. J. Lewis, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, is appearing for the Bank.

The following Special Jury was empanelled:—Mr. H. A. Lammert (foreman), Mr. R. M. Dyer, Mr. G. F. Haslam, Mr. S. M. Churn, Mr. B. Wong Tape, Mr. C. L. Compton Sandes and Mr. Wong Kwong-tin.

### Exemption Refused.

When his name was called, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin appealed for exemption, stating that he had served on the jury at the enquiry into the Hainan Fish disaster, when he understood that the Court had recommended him exemption for five years. He continued that he had also served as a juror in March at a Coroners' enquiry at Kowloon.

His Lordship asked Mr. Wong Kwong-tin whether he was exempted.

Mr. Wong replied that he had received no notification. He added it seemed to him that he was called upon too frequently.

His Lordship agreed that it seemed rather hard on Mr. Wong, but he could not be exempted.

When Mr. Wong Kwong-tin had taken his seat in the jury box, his Lordship remarked that the Magistrate had no power to exempt jurors, but should recommend such exemption to him (Sir Henry). He had received no such recommendation.

In opening the case for the Crown, Mr. Potter said that the action concerned certain alleged forged cheques and the Government was claiming that three cheques had been wrongfully debited to the Government account. The Bank denied that the cheques were forged and also, in addition, raised a number of defences of negligence.

### Hopes of Recovery.

The amounts of the three cheques totalled a substantial sum, over \$260,000, but, in fact, they had every reason to hope that whatever won or lost the case, a very large amount of that money would eventually be recovered.

It was a simple issue for the jury—they had to decide whether or not the cheques were forged.

Mr. Potter then proceeded to deal with the procedure followed by the Treasury, with regard to Government cheques. The cheques, he said, were supplied by the Bank in blank books containing 200 pages, each page containing

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## SEGRAVE'S SPEED RECORD HOLDS.

## BRILLIANT FAILURE OF NEW ATTEMPT.

## CAPTAIN CAMPBELL MAKES GOOD SECOND BEST.

## ACHIEVES 218.54 M.P.H.

Cape Town, Apr. 21.—Captain Malcolm Campbell, driving the Blue Bird, another famous British car, achieved a brilliant failure when he attempted this afternoon to capture the world's land speed record, set up by Major Sir Harry Segrave with the Golden Arrow.

Thousands were present on the Verneuk Pan when the attempt was made, and they witnessed an awe-inspiring spectacle as the machine hurtled down the course and burst again.

There was great excitement at the close when the electric timing machines were examined, but they revealed that Captain Campbell had failed, his average speed for the two runs being 218.54 miles per hour.

### Good Second Best Time.

Captain Campbell's time is 11 m.p.h. in excess of the best American time, but it is 13 m.p.h. less than the achievement of his greatest rival in the motor racing world, who did over 231 miles an hour at Daytona last month.

His speed for the first mile run was 224.58 miles an hour, but his second dash was appreciably slower being recorded at 212.61 miles.

The difference is explained by the wind. The great car, the Blue Bird, was pushed up to the track at about 4.40 p.m. this afternoon. She made her first run with the wind behind her and passed the measured mile like a cloud of smoke.

She drew up about four miles away without accident, mechanics rushing up to the car, jacking her up, changing all four wheels, and making the necessary adjustments.

She was then turned round for the second venture and it was found that the wind had practically dropped as the car started off on her finishing dash. The conditions appeared to be ideal and the runs were carried through without the slightest suspicion of a possible accident.

### Morning Efforts.

The attempt was made after several abortive efforts had been made in the morning. Captain Campbell desired to start at dawn but a defect in the timing apparatus was discovered and a dust storm prevented the attempt when this had been rectified.

When the course had been cleared, the engine refused to start, and tyre trouble kept them busy until another dust-storm killed the morning prospects.—Reuter.

After an examination of the Blue Bird's truck, Captain Campbell said there were still bad patches on the course. It was believed impossible to attempt the record again until the whole course had received attention.

He says he suffered two severe bumps as he approached the measured mile on the return journey. He proposes to make a further attempt provided the necessary funds, estimated at £2,500 are available to meet outstanding debts and the cost of the repair of the truck.—Reuter.

### Verneuk Pan.

The attempt on the record was made at Verneuk Pan, which is a large area of sun-baked clay, said to be a dried lake, twenty miles long and ten miles broad, and about 400 miles from Cape Town.

The car is a Napier-Arol-Aster, and it is not necessary to give details of the engine, other than explaining that it is the famous Napier engine with which Flight Lieut. D'Arey Greig flew faster than man had ever flown before, and Major Segrave drove faster than man had ever driven before at Daytona.

It was expected that the Blue Bird would perform rather better than she did. In the United States, when Captain Campbell beat Major Segrave's original record of 203 m.p.h., the car travelled in one direction at 214.7 m.p.h. and it was anticipated that with modifications of the chassis, she would be still more efficient.

## BIAS BAY PIRACY THREAT.

## REPRESENTATION TO CANTON GOVERNMENT.

## TWO GUNBOATS SENT.

The piracy threat which has been engaging the attention of the local authorities since the report of the occupation of Bias Bay by a rebel general and some 600 men, has not yet resulted in an attack on ships.

It is learned officially that the Government has recently been in communication with the Canton Government in connexion with the reports, strong representations having been made.

The authorities in Canton have been asked to restore the naval and military garrison, which had been stationed in the Bay until recently.

It is reported that, presumably as the result of these representations, two Canton gunboats have returned to Bias Bay. The Canton Government has also replied stating that the military garrison has not been withdrawn while a wireless station has been erected which should be of great service in the event of a pirate attempt to again make Bias Bay the base for their operations.

## TSINAN CONVICTS ESCAPE.

## FIVE WARDERS SHOT DOWN IN CITY PRISON.

## AN ALARMING AFFAIR.

### Tsinan, Apr. 21.

Another alarming affair which may have the effect of delaying the departure of Japanese troops from the city occurred to-day, when a large number of long-term criminals broke out of the prison, killing a warden and severely wounding five others in making their escape.

Apparently, there were insufficient guards to cope with the gang when they broke free, and they had procured arms and ammunition from an unknown source.

Eighteen prisoners are reported to have got clear away, but one of the convicts was re-arrested later this evening.

The incident created much alarm, and the city gates have been closed, the searching of all pedestrians being carried out by specially-organised forces.

Dr. C. T. Wang has sent a telegram, urging the authorities to make an immediate enquiry into the affair, and also into the murder of the Japanese paymaster.

## ILL-MANNERED U.S. OFFICIALS.

## SIR R. TAGORE LEAVES THE UNITED STATES.

### Los Angeles, Apr. 21.

Sir Rabindranath Tagore, the famous Indian poet and philosopher, who only arrived at Los Angeles a few days ago from Canada, left suddenly for Japan to-day, it appears in disgust.

His secretary informed enquirers that Sir Rabindranath Tagore had decided to leave because he was offended by the "contemptuous" treatment of United States immigration officials.—Reuter's American Service.

## M.C.C. CRICKETERS RETURN.

## GIVEN WARM WELCOME ON THEIR ARRIVAL.

### London, April 21.

Large crowds assembled at Victoria Station last night to welcome the English cricketers home from their successful tour in Australia.

Members of the South African team now visiting England were among those admitted to the platform with the official Reception Committee and the families of members of the team.—British Wireless.

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## STRUGGLE WITH BURGLAR.

## P.W.D. MAN TACKLES AN INTRUDER.

## STIFF FIGHT WITH MAN WHO APPEARED DEMENTED.

## ACCUSED IN COURT.

A strenuous struggle with an apparently half-demented man in the dark occurred as the climax to a night of excitement at the residence of Mr. W. H. Edmonds, overseer of the P.W.D., at No. 121, Wongneichong Road, Happy Valley, when it was discovered that a burglar had got into the house and escaped with property.

Returning home late on Saturday night, Mr. Edmonds left his jacket in the sitting room while he went to another room, where he listened-in on his radio set for about an hour. During that time, a burglar got into the house, the fact not being known until, on returning to the sitting room, Mr. Edmonds found that his jacket had been moved and a number of articles taken from the pockets. Mr. Edmonds missed a cigarette case, a fountain pen and a pair of spectacles.

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## Man Caught.

A search of the thief in the immediate vicinity of the house being without result, Mr. Edmonds telephoned to the Wan Chai Police Station and Sergeant Moran was assigned to the case. But before

## ANOTHER \$200 FOR THE MINERS.

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We are pleased to-day to be able to announce the receipt of a further substantial donation to the Fund for the relief of distress amongst British miners and their families. This is a cheque for \$200 from the Hongkong Cricket Club, forwarded by Mr. L. S. Greenhill, the Hon. Secretary.

This splendid gift is much appreciated, and we desire to tender our sincere thanks to the Fund for the relief of distress amongst British miners and their families.

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## Stiff Fight.

Mr. Edmonds reported that it was a stiff fight, for although the suspect must have known that he could have no chance of getting away, he resisted in such a way as to give Mr. Edmonds the impression that his mind was unbalanced.

Sergeant Moran took over the prisoner and, after forty-eight hours' detention, produced him before Mr. E. W. Hamilton this morning.

A marked peculiarity in the demeanour of the man was noted by the Magistrate, who asked if he was all that he should be.

Sergeant Moran said the man had appeared to him to be normal during the period of his detention prior to appearance in Court.

"Kidding" the Police?

The officer explained that the man had been known to practice

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## COLONY'S BATHING FACILITIES.

## CIVILIANS NOT WANTED AT STONECUTTERS.

## LAICHIKOK BEACH.

It is understood that as the result of a request made to the Government that the bathing beaches at Stonecutters should again be thrown open to the public, enquiries have been made of the naval and military authorities, who have, however, declined to consider the question.

It is stated in support of this attitude, that the bathing beaches at Stonecutters are being increasingly used by men of both Services, and that there is no accommodation for civilians.

There are also reasons, connected with defensive works, why it is undesirable to allow civilians to wander about the island.

With regard to the beach at Laichikok, where the facilities formerly granted to a Chinese club have not so far been granted this year, we are informed that the Government is now going into the matter with a view to restoring the privileges granted in the last two bathing seasons.

## LOST AUSTRALIAN AIRMAN DEAD.

## COMPANION MISSING WHEN PLANE IS LOCATED.

## SEARCH TO CONTINUE.

### Darwin, Apr. 21

TO-DAY ONLY. 5.20 &amp; 9.15 p.m.

**CLARA BOW****QUEEN'S COLLEGE OLD BOYS.****INTERESTING SPEECHES AT THE ANNUAL DINNER.****NEW SCHOLARSHIP.**

The ninth annual dinner of the Queen's College Old Boys' Association was held on Saturday night in the Hall of the College. A convivial gathering of more than 200 members and friends, the function was greatly enjoyed for its excellent fare and for the opportunity which it gave to old schoolfellow to meet together for the exchange of reminiscences in familiar surroundings.

The Hall was brilliantly adorned with lights and bunting and on the stage, the orchestra of the liner President Wilson provided tuneful music.

Presiding over the gathering was the President, Mr. Lo Cheung-shiu, who was supported by two Vice-Presidents, Mr. H. K. Hung and Mr. A. H. Crook, the Headmaster.

After the toasts to His Majesty the King and to the Republic of China had been loyally honoured, the President, in offering a toast to Queen's College said, in part:

"It is said that the experience of one's school days constitutes the most precious memories of one's life. This is certainly so with me. I am proud that I received my education here, and I am proud that my Old College, in the words of His Excellency the Governor, at our last Prize Distribution, "bids fair to remain the premier school of the Colony." (Applause).

The tradition of every school is of course largely the tradition of its masters. The Queen's College's tradition has always stood high because it has ever been fortunate in its staff. To the memory of the late Dr. Stewart, and to the work of Dr. Wright, my old beloved headmaster, and of other great and able headmasters of the past, my predecessors have paid eloquent tributes. And I venture to think that the College is equally fortunate in its present staff, who, with the encouragement of the genial and learned headmaster, give of their best in moulding and educating the ever-increasing number of students to face an increasingly competitive world and in making or perhaps, I should say, in continuing to make, Queen's College a household word, not only in Hongkong, but throughout China. On behalf of the parents of the students, and in the name of Queen's College Old Boys' Association, I thank you for your generous gifts, and for the support you give to our school. (Applause).

Gentlemen, we are fortunate indeed in our guests, and on behalf of our Association I beg to extend to them one and all a hearty welcome. (Applause).

The toast was drunk with musical honours.

And when we see Mr. Lo in the chair here and see his sons here who were also our alumni we can look forward to a deeper interest and an almost hereditary esprit de corps when the third generation treads in the honoured footsteps. (Applause).

The Headmaster asked his colleagues on the staff, the prefects and the visitors to drink to the health of the Q.C.O.B.A. and the new President, Mr. Lo. (Applause).

**The Guests.**

In offering the toast of The Guests, Mr. C. G. Anderson, Hon. Secretary of the Association said:

Mr. Chairman, the honour of toasting our guests has fallen upon me this evening, but I labour under a great difficulty in not seeing the wood, because of the trees. I cannot let the occasion pass without saying how much we are honoured by the genial presence of the scholarly Secretary for Chinese Affairs, whose multifarious and intricate duties, we are glad to observe, appear to sit very lightly on his broad and capable shoulders. His presence cannot be overlooked. (Applause).

By the side of our learned Headmaster we find Mr. Li Yau-tsun, who began his service for public welfare long before many of us were born (Applause). In Dr. S. W. Tao, we see a strong silent man, with the tenacity of a bulldog. The Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, whom we welcome as president of a sister organization—the St. Joseph's Old Boys' Association—is one of the most courteous and charming Portuguese gentlemen it has been our pleasure to meet—(hear, hear) and in whose efforts each section of the public hopes to see the body politic of Kowloon purged of its ills. Right in the centre of the hall we notice the man from Oxford who has been appointed to a seat on the Sanitary Board. Mr. T. N. Chau is not only like Barkis, willing, but he will win his spurs in one department of public usefulness. On the left of the hall we espied the well-known Mr. M. K. Lo, President for this year of the famous Tung Wah Hospital, and his equally well-known brother, the Tennis Champion of the Colony. (Applause). In them we find proud, for are they not the worthy sons of our worthy President? We have in our midst, also, that Aberdonian Scot Mr. Li Chor-chi, who has kindly promised once more to sing and contribute to the gaiety of our evening. We are also glad to see Mr. Lui Man-shing, whose records command an large a sale as Galli Curci's. (Laughter and applause).

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Speaking on the subject of scholarships, and bearing in mind again the reference of your Hon. Secretary to the fact that I belong to a sister organization, the St. Joseph's College Old Boys' Association, I shall also speak of that great and liberal benefactor of education, Mr. Woo Hay-tong. He has supplied scholarships not only to the College to which he owes so much, but also to other educational institutions of Hongkong, including St. Joseph's College, where I had my first education. So long as Hongkong possesses gentlemen of the calibre of Mr. Lo Cheung-shiu and Mr. Woo Hay-tong, Hongkong has nothing to fear. (Applause).

Concluding, Mr. Braga caused considerable amusement by expressing the hope as the representative of Kowloon, that in the event of further expansion and a new Queen's College becoming necessary, preference would be given to Kowloon in the choice of location, for a Greater Queen's College. "When you think of removing this building there is one little reminiscence I should like to add, merely for the interest it contains, and that is, the curious fact that it stands on the site of the old Lunatic Asylum of Hongkong." (Laughter and applause).

The evening closed with an evening concert programme, to which the following contributed: Professor Guadji, Messrs. Li Chor-chi, Lui Man-shing, E. J. Edwards, D. M. Richards, the College Orchestra with Mr. Chan Cheuk-wa, and members of the Ching Woo Athletic Association.

Gentlemen, when you speak of Queen's College, there are two factors associated with this fine institution. One is, that the pos-

sibilities of achievement in so far as Queen's College is concerned are without limit. In the case of one of your Headmasters, Mr. Frederick Stewart, as he then was, he rose from a bench in the old Central School to the highest position in the Colony, that is Officer Administering the Government, at Government House. One of your past pupils has worldwide reputation, having been the first President of China. (Hear, hear).

In this very hall, there are names to conjure with, principally in the sphere of commercial and industrial activity. For example, in the hollows of the hands of Queen's College boys are held the commercial destinies of Hongkong. In the conference rooms of the Colony are Chinese gentlemen who, I believe, are Queen's College boys, and I believe that they are Queen's College boys who control the purse strings of the princely banks and houses of this Colony. In the liberal professions, we have distinguished gentlemen in the medical profession, legal profession and distinguished gentlemen in arts and sciences. I am not going to offend their modesty by the mention of individual names. It suffices for us to look around us and see names already carved in the hall of fame in this Colony, who in the course of time are destined to carve even greater names in the Republic of China. (Applause).

**Scholarships Presented.**

Gentlemen, I may be permitted to break a pleasant piece of news to you, which came to me quite accidentally in the course of to-day's doing; that is, that your worthy and esteemed President, Mr. Lo Cheung-shiu, has endowed this College with scholarships for certain students. Without committing any breach of faith, I may at once say that that piece of news was not disclosed to me by Mr. Lo but as a Press Correspondent it is my duty to ferret for news—(laughter)—and I hit upon a very fortunate one in being able, in your guest, to mention that. Mr. Lo, in his generosity, has endowed scholarships for that class of pupils who need assistance and who, by virtue of his generosity, can now continue their education. (Applause).

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Madrid, Apr. 20.

Forest fires at Mount Elduelle, which spread to the neighbouring mountains and villages, have assumed catastrophic proportions. Farms are being swallowed up by the blazing inferno which thwarts attempts to check it.

Inhabitants are hastily retreating, leaving their belongings.

Traffic on the Northern Railway and other provincial lines is at a standstill owing to the flames invading the track.

Telegraphic communications have been cut off.

Hitherto there has been no loss of life.—Reuter.

**BROUGHT UNDER CONTROL.**

San Sebastian, Apr. 21.

The forest fires mentioned yesterday have been controlled except at the frontier town of Irún, where the still destructive heat from the conflagrations in the neighbourhood of San Sebastian can be felt in towns ten miles away.—Reuter.

**TSINAN MURDER.****MOHAMMEDANS DRIVE OUT GOVT. REPRESENTATIVES.**

Nanking, Apr. 20.

A Japanese official report from Tsinan states that at about 10 o'clock yesterday evening the second Paymaster of the 68th Japanese Regiment was walking along Changpin Street in the Concession Area, when two Chinese in civilian dress fired revolvers at him, killing him instantly.

The Japanese Consul is investigating the affair.—Reuter.

**ROYAL VISITOR.****DUKE OF GLOUCESTER AT SINGAPORE.**

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Singapore, Apr. 20.

The Duke of Gloucester arrived at Penang on the P. and O. More on Tuesday, reached Singapore this morning, after a brief tour of Malaya. He was received at the station by His Excellency the Governor, who presented to him all the high officials.

There was a large and a most enthusiastic crowd to greet him, all communities turning out in full

This morning the Duke of Gloucester placed a wreath on the Cenotaph. He received a number of loyal addresses and gave audience to the Regents of Johore.

This afternoon he is playing polo and this evening he will be entertained with Muslim and Chinese lantern processions and Japanese fireworks.

Departure from Singapore.

Singapore, Apr. 21.

The Duke of Gloucester sailed for Hongkong on April 20.—Reuter.

**ITALIAN AFFAIRS.****OPENING OF THE FIRST ALL-FASCIST PARLIAMENT.**

Rome, Apr. 20.

Their Majesties drove in state to the opening of the first all-Fascist Parliament. M. Mussolini, in court dress, with his ministers, met their Majesties in the vestibule of the Palace of Monte Citorio, whence they proceeded to the Chamber.

After a long ovation, His Majesty, in a speech from the throne, referred to disarmament, which hitherto "had remained a generous hope contradicted by continuous armaments on land, sea and air."

Therefore Italy should become powerful in order to be respected, but that power and respect did not exclude a sincere foreign policy of peace.—Reuter.

**RUSSIAN RELATIONS.****RESOLUTION BY THE BRITISH DELEGATION.**

Moscow, Apr. 20.

A resolution was adopted at a meeting of the British Trade Delegation and handed to M. Platoff, stating that economic developments are impossible without the resumption of diplomatic relations and that it is equally impossible for Russia to obtain extensive British financial aid until satisfaction is promised to British nationals' claims.

M. Platoff, replying, described the visit as a "friendly gesture," and expressed his readiness, when diplomatic relations were re-established, to negotiate questions of mutual interest on the basis of the agreement of 1924.—Reuter.

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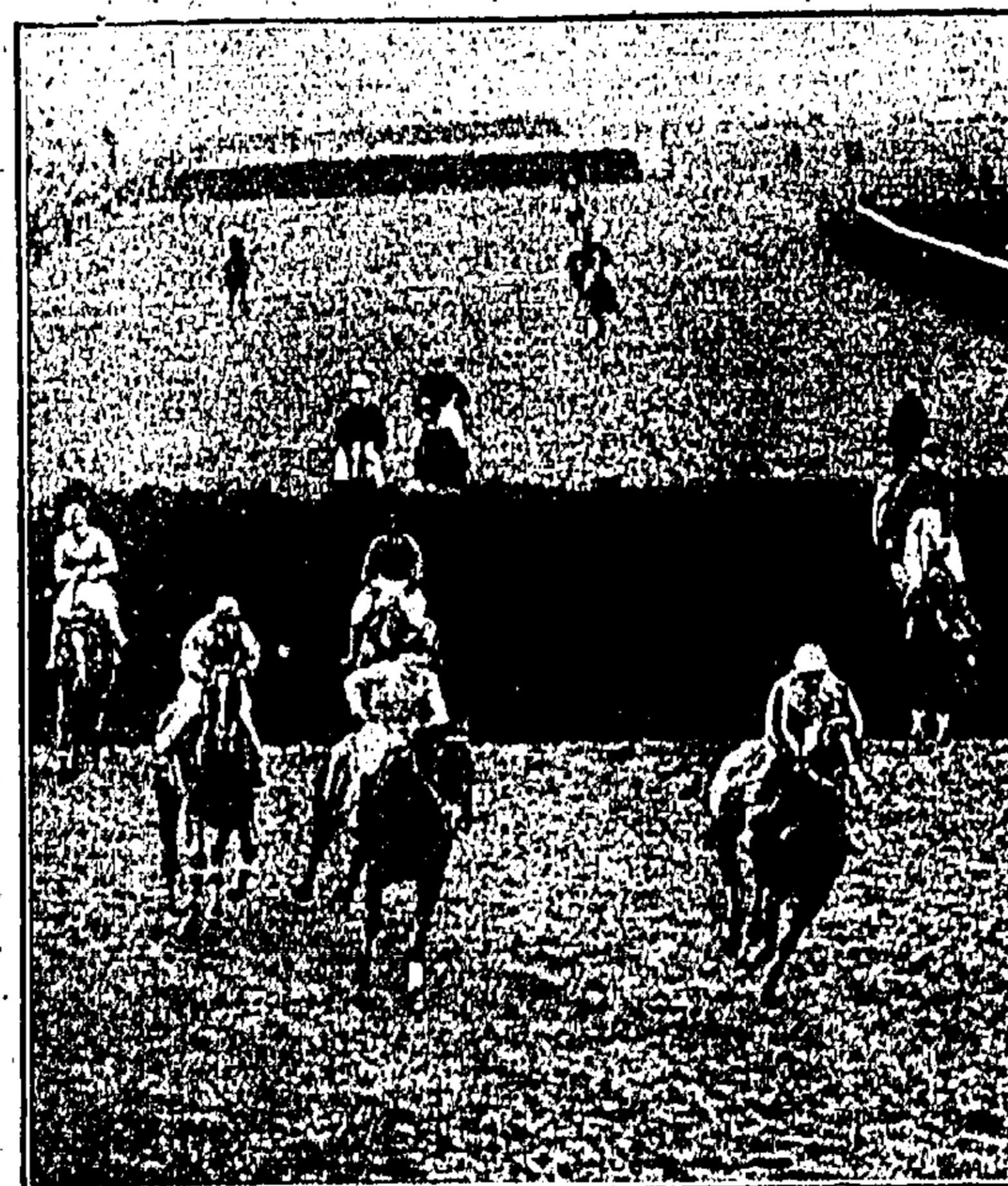
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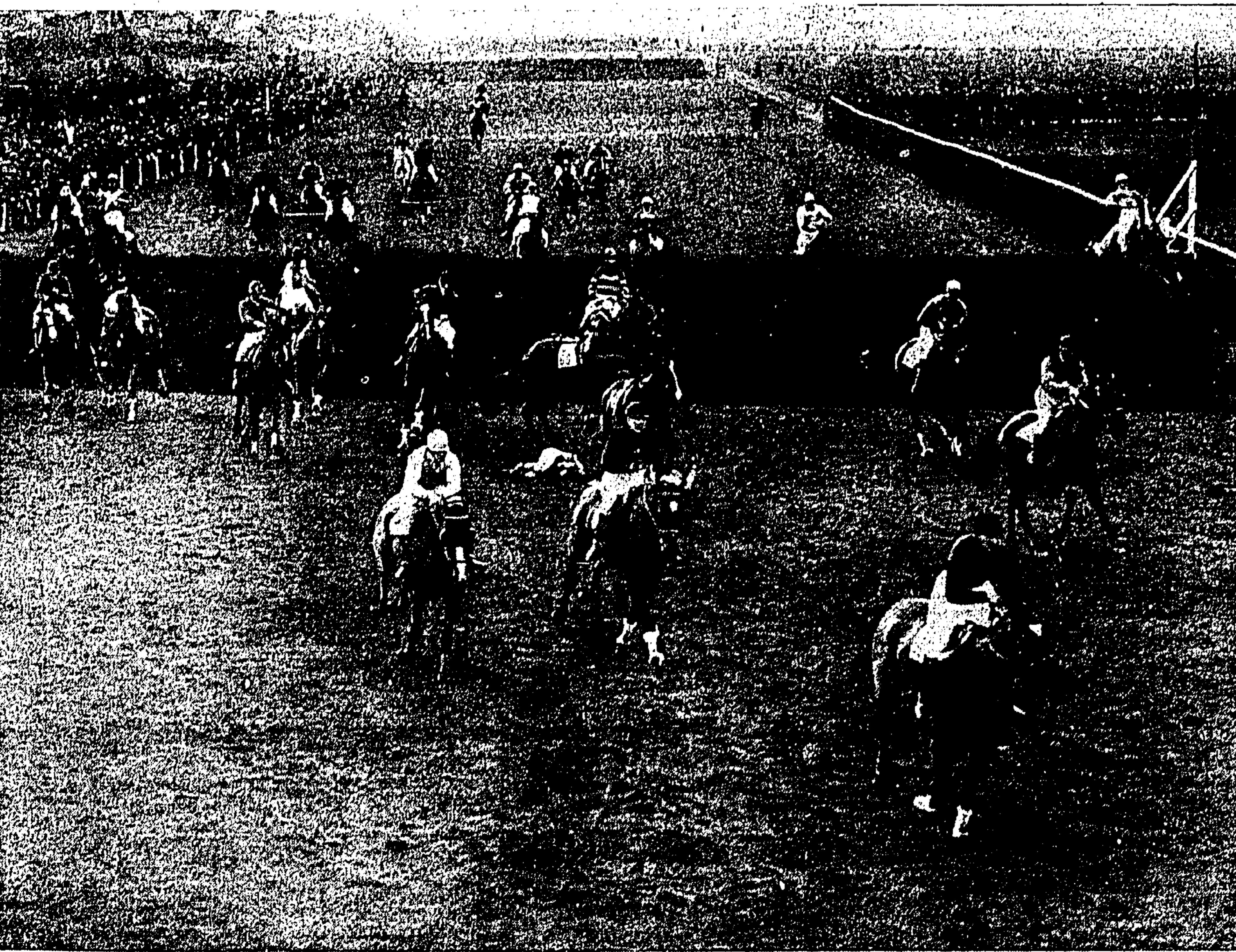
Scotland beat England by four tries (12 points) to two tries (six points) in an International Rugby Football match at Murrayfield, Scotland, thus winning the Championship and the Calcutta Cup. Our photograph shows a general view of the ground and stands during the first half of the match; a Scottish player is seen getting away with the ball after the break-up of a loose scrummage. (*Times* copyright).



The field taking the first jump in the University Heavyweight Race at the Cambridge University United Hunts Point-to-Point Races, which were held at Graftham, near Huntingdon. The winner was Mr. D. S. Bailey's Falomo III. (*Times* copyright)



A picture of the Grand National showing the thinned-out field taking Becher's Brook the second time round. Only 10 completed the course. (*Times* copyright).



The Grand National was won at Aintree by Mrs. Gemmill's Gregalach (R. Everett up), a 100 to 1 chance, by six lengths from Mr. J. H. Whitney's Easter Hero (J. Moloney up), the favourite with Mr. R. McAlpine's Richmond II (W. Stott up) third. There was a record start of 66 runners. Our picture shows parts of the field taking Becher's Brook on the first time round the course. (*Times* copyright).

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### DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY LIMITED.

The Ordinary General Meeting of the above Company will be held at the Company's Offices, P. & O. Building, on Monday, the 29th of April, 1929, at 11 a.m.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 19th April to 26th April, 1929, both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., General Managers.

### New Advertisements

#### HONGKONG CLUB.

##### NOTICE.

On the occasion of the landing at Queen's Pier of H. R. H. The Duke of Gloucester, on Thursday, the 25th April, the Verandahs of the Club will be opened to wives of Members and Service Members and their lady friends only, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

By Order,

T. A. ROBERTSON,  
Lieut. Col., Secretary.  
Hongkong, 17th April, 1929.

### CHINA UNDERWRITERS LIMITED.

#### NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

On and from Monday, 29th April, 1929, our Offices will be removed to:

#### HONGKONG BANK BUILDING (4TH FLOOR)

In Des Voeux Road Central.  
HERBERT R. STURT,  
Manager.  
Hongkong, 22nd April, 1929.

#### HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

The Fourth Extra Race Meeting will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on Saturday, 27th April, 1929, commencing at 2.30 p.m.

The first bell will be rung at 2 p.m.

The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1. for all persons including Ladies. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each member has the right to introduce 2 non-members, to the Members' Enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis at 35 each up to Friday, 26th April, 1929.

The charge for admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$2.

Each member can obtain upon application to the Secretary, Badges for admission of 2 Ladies free of charge.

Bookmakers, Tie Tie Men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hongkong Jockey Club during Race Meetings.

NO CHILDREN ALLOWED IN EITHER ENCLOSURE ON ANY PRETEXT.

#### G. R. NOTICE.

#### HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WATER SUPPLY.

The quantity of water in the storage reservoirs has fallen so low that further restrictive measures are under consideration, and should an adequate rainfall not occur before the end of April, the water supply in Hongkong and Kowloon will be cut off daily between the hours of 6 p.m. and 6 a.m. from the 1st May.

The most rigid economy in the consumption of water is now essential, and the co-operation of the public in preventing waste is again earnestly requested.

HAROLD T. CREASY,  
Water Authority.  
Public Works Department,  
Hongkong, 19th April, 1929.

#### THE SIMPLEX PLASTER COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fifth Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Registered Office, 2nd floor, Powell's Building, Des Voeux Road, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 26th April, 1929, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a statement of accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1928.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 19th April to 26th April, 1929, both days inclusive.

THE HONGKONG EXCAVATION, PILE DRIVING AND CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 16th April, 1929.

### Lammert's Auctions

#### PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

on TUESDAY,

the 23rd April, 1929,

commencing at 11 a.m.

at No. 17, Jordan Road,

First Floor, Kowloon,

A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture

comprising:-

Teak Roll Top Desk, Table Fan,

Pictures, Rug, Teak Hatstand,

Curtains, Valances, Electric Fit-

tings, etc., etc.

Teak Dining Table, Dining Chairs, Sideboard, Ice Chest, Glass and China Ware, Kitchen Utensils, etc., etc.

Teak Double Bedstead with Spring Mattress and Mosquito Net, Teak Dressing Table with Plate Glass Cover, Teak Wardrobe, Chamber Stand, Washstand, etc., etc.

and

A Quantity of Blackwood Furniture

and

One Gramophone and Records.

Catalogues will be issued.

On View from Monday, the 22nd April, 1929.

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Auctioneers.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

on WEDNESDAY,

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at 2.30 p.m.

at their Sales Room,

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

on MONDAY,

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commencing at 2.30 p.m.

at No. 5, Queen's Gardens

A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture

comprising:-

(Catalogues will be issued.)

On View from Sunday, the 28th April, 1929.

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TUESDAY, 7th MAY 1929

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### SHARE PRICES.

#### TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

##### Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$1230 a. Chartered Bank, \$119 a. Mardonio A. & B., \$34 n. P. and O. \$91 n. East Asia \$90 n.

##### Insurances.

Canton Ins., \$695 b. Union Ins., \$378 s. North China Ins., Tls. 160 b. Yangtze Ins., \$50 n. China Underwriters, \$2.40 s. China Fires, \$290 b. H. K. Fire Ins., \$765 b.

##### Shipping.

Douglas, \$36 s. H. K. Steamboats, \$244 s. H. K. Tugs, \$2.40 n. Indo-Chinas (Dof), \$92 n. Union Waterboats, \$224 n.

##### Mining.

Bongkots, \$27 b. Kai Lai, 66 s. Langkata, Tls. 14 n. S'hai Explorations, Tls. 2.90 s. Raubs, \$6.65 b. Tronches, 17.6 n.

##### Docks, etc.

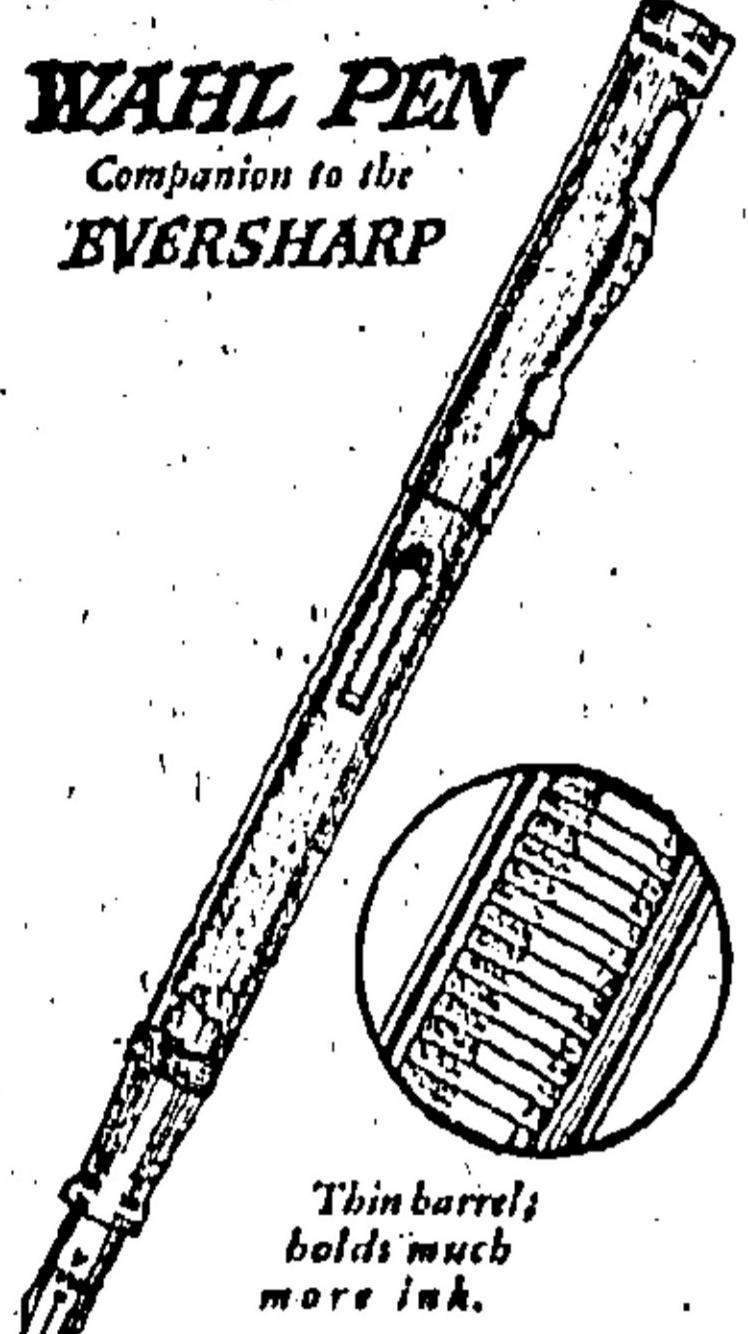
Kowloon Wharves, \$123 b. Whampoa Docks, \$36 s. China Providents, \$41.5 b. New Engineering, Tls. 5.60 b. Shanghai Docks, Tls. 121 b.

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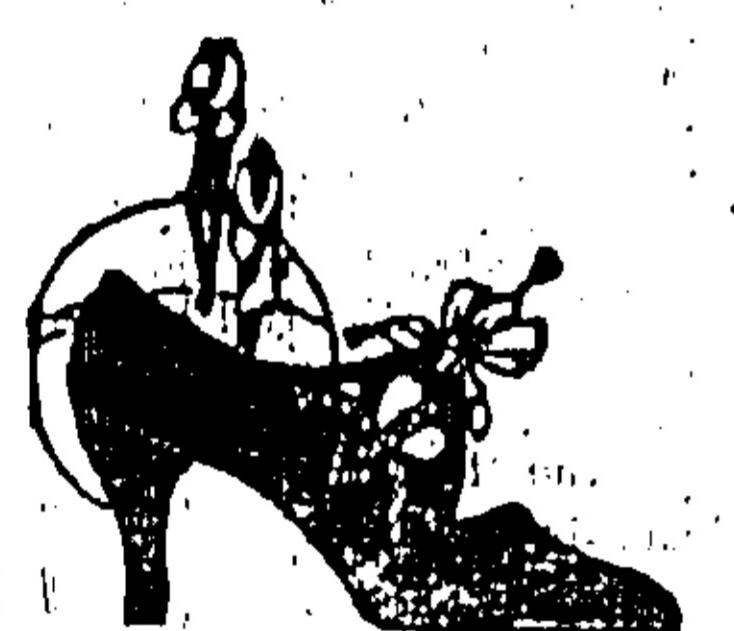
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### GENERAL ELECTION.

#### MR. LLOYD GEORGE GIVES A SLOGAN.

London, Apr. 20.  
"Beef and broccoli" is the first slogan of the General Election campaign and has arisen owing to the policy enunciated by Mr. Baldwin on Thursday. In referring to the British agricultural possibilities, the Premier made a point of English broccoli from Cornwall penetrating to Continental markets.

The cry has been taken up by Mr. Lloyd George in a speech broadcast last night dealing with the urgency of the unemployment problem, when he cried, ironically, that the British troops, who had been patriotically regarded on good old roast beef in winter had become cosmopolitans on bully beef in the summer. Henceforth the "Union Jack" would fly at the head of a broccoli stalk."

Nevertheless the Conservatives are maintaining that the export of broccoli is in no way an insignificant portent. It is the outcome of the enterprise and co-operation of Cornish growers, the railways and the Ministry of Agriculture resulting in the production of a huge variety of the vegetable which is favoured on the continent. Scientific grading, marketing and expeditious distribution justifies the plantation of a considerably increased acreage to meet the increasing foreign demand.—Reuter.

### SMALL-POX SCARE.

#### FRENCH MEASURES DECIDED.

Paris, Apr. 21.  
At the close of the conference at Calais between British and French sanitary authorities with regard to the French small-pox regulations, M. Loucheur, the Minister for Labour, in a communiqué stated:

"The French Government asked the British Government to make it compulsory for passengers sailing to the Continent to undergo medical examination before embarking. The British representatives promised to reply by Tuesday. France is entitled, in the case of ships in which there is no small-pox, but which come from infected centres, to subject the passengers who have not been previously vaccinated to surveillance during their movements, under the terms of the International Sanitary Convention. This surveillance has been carried out by the delivery to each passenger of a sanitary passport, which will enable his movements to be traced for a fortnight, as provided by the Convention. These measures will be enforced as from to-morrow. Vaccination of passengers immediately on disembarking who have not been vaccinated within five years does not appear a sufficient safeguard, for it does not prevent an outbreak of the disease in the person in the incubation periods, and consequently there is still a danger of infection."—Reuter.

### SERIOUS AFFAIR.

#### JAPANESE VESSEL BOMBARDED.

Shanghai, Apr. 21.  
A reliable Japanese report states that the N. K. K. upper river steamer Baiyu Maru, on her maiden voyage to Chungking, was bombarded with rifle fire and three inch guns a few miles below Ichang, presumably by former Wuhan forces.

Sub-Lieut. Toyona, commanding the naval guard, was instantly killed.

Sixty-seven of the passengers and crew were wounded, of whom at least four, including the chief engineer, are severely hurt.—Reuter.

## WOMAN'S WORLD FOR OUR LADY READERS.

### Evening Dresses.

#### FLUTTERING TYPE & FORMAL DESIGN.

Evening gowns may be divided into two classes—the fluttering type and the formal design. But most designs are sheath-like, developing into a multitude of panels just above the knees—the more elaborate models finishing in a train of by no means meagre proportions. Necklines are extremely decollete, the corsage being held in place with shoulder straps of diamante or self-material. A straight front and a deep V behind is the most fashionable line.

Lace, satin, tulle, and patterned chiffon are the favourite materials for evening frocks. Sprigged taffeta is also made up into some unusual designs.

A magnificent skin-tight vermillion lace model broke into a collection of handkerchief points of uneven length half-way down the slim skirt. A double scarf collar fell into twin trains behind.

#### Black Lace.

Black lace made with a tiered skirt is invariably finished with a bolero or a short loose coat to match.

Three-quarter length lace coats accompany lace dinner frocks. This matching long coat is in vogue this season. A black taffeta dinner frock, trimmed with a flexible gold belt, was worn under a matching coat, while a green-and-white speckled chiffon design boasted of a long coat coloured with stiffened flowers of similar material.

Satin designs are completed with matching chiffon coats. A

tulle is used in a variety of fashions. The bodices are tight and high-waisted, and the skirts are long and full—many being of the handkerchief-point persuasion. An alternative to this is a sheath-like tunic consisting of diagonal intersecting flat planks, oddly similar in their arrangement to a man's scales. Tulle ensembles are seen, but the majority of these filmy frocks are covered with a stouter material. An emerald tulle frock, trimmed with a band of silver and gold sequins—these jewelled basques, are smart, a navy frock was trimmed with one in navy sequins—was worn under a moire coat to match. A gold brocade coat accompanied a fawn tulle frock.

Tulle coats embroidered with sequins in a geometrical design are seen, and they look slim and elegant.

Bands are mostly confined to bugles. The corsage is thickly encrusted in diamond lines, and the full flared skirt falls practically to the ground. Both white dresses and black follow this fashion. A black tulle was thickly embroidered with jet bugles and was worn with a short tailored jacket, thickly jet-embroidered to match.



#### Strawberry satin was covered with a pink chiffon coat, weighted with silver beads.

#### Jewelled Basques.

which were applied petals of a smaller design. More beautiful still was a scarlet and emerald striped chiffon, composed of many flat diagonal panels.

With the more elaborate models the mannequins carried fans, and more than one jewelled design was shown with a tightly-fitting jewelled cap to match.



One of the most practical toilettes for afternoon or semi-evening wear is carried out in lacquer red lace over a georgette foundation in the same colour. The flared skirt is attractive; so, too, is the double bolero bodice, rising and dipping in line with the skirt.

#### Patterned Chiffon.

Great success is undoubtedly achieved with patterned chiffons.

A white chiffon, heavily splashed with black flowers, was made with a flat tiered skirt slit on one side with falling panels.

It was finished with a bolero and a deep scarf collar.

A blushed carnation and almond design—a glory of super-imposed petals—was made with a peacock train behind, on to

### New Organdies.

#### IN EVERY COLOUR OF THE RAINBOW.

The organdies are in every colour of the rainbow, and are elaborately embroidered. They are created on very straight lines, so as to show the exquisite hand-work which covers the skirt, bodice, and sleeves.

The girdles used for these frocks are entirely novel. For them, one sees employed wide scarves of chiffon, wound once around the natural waist, or at the low one, and tied loosely on one side.

These scarves are in brilliant colours, the ends embroidered in gold or silver. As the organdies are also in colour, the effect of the gay scarf against the gown is very alluring.

A recent colour-combination, an orange scarf against a lavender dress, had great cachet.

Quantities of crepe georgette for day-time frocks are being made up on the same general lines as those of organdi. Georgette is essentially a spring and summer fabric, for it retains its freshness in all weathers, and is sheer enough for the hottest day. Mousseline kasha, that fascinating material, half silk, half wool, is stirring,

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In excellent taste is the coat-frock of the check material in tones of beige and cinnamon brown, with brown patent leather belt, and neat collar, cuffs, and jabot of beige georgette.

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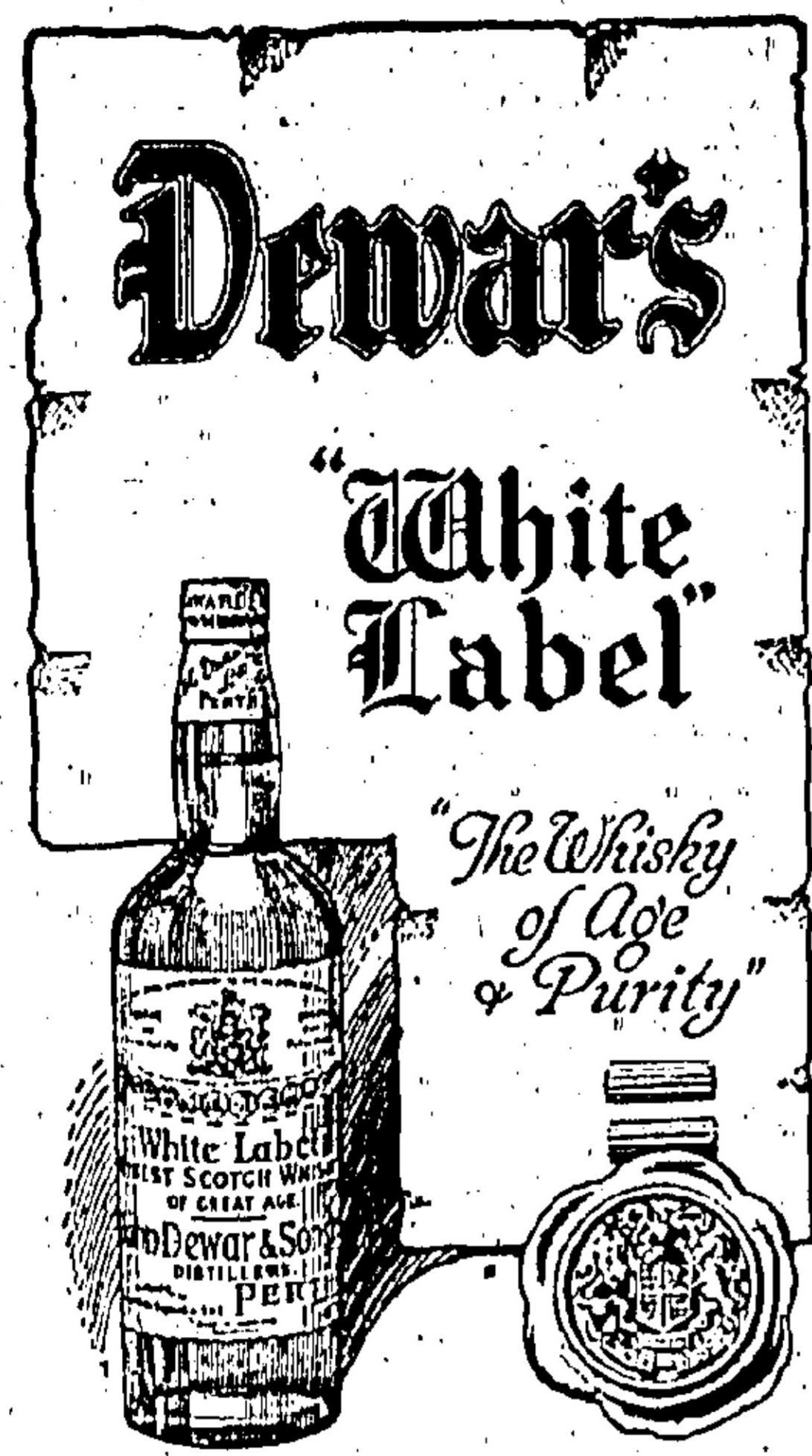
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MONDAY APRIL 22, 1929

### COMMUNISM IN CHINA.

The persistence of Communist trouble in Kwangtung, as well as elsewhere, is a problem which is clearly not solved merely by urging military action against it. Its vitality suggests that there are conditions in the social and economic life of the community to which it makes a direct appeal, and there is in the form of its appeal an element so specious as to capture the imagination not only of an illiterate peasantry, but also of considerable members of the boy and girl students of middle school age. On one side it makes a rallying ground for the bandits who are a perennial weakness of Chinese society. On this side it needs little examination: it is merely to-day what the Three Dot Society was in former days, and is recruited from the overplus of the agricultural population for which there is as yet no outlet in village life. Among such bandits, there has always been an implied protest against a social order which finds no adequate place for them, and from their ranks have risen not a few of those who have controlled the destinies of the country even in recent years. There is a Robin Hood tradition in Chinese popular thought, fostered by the Three Kingdoms novel, and the plays that are repeatedly acted from it; and in spite of the excesses of any given band of brigands, banditry has a certain popular appeal. Two Generals, who have been operating in the Swatow district have traded on this aspect in their sweep through so many towns. When they take a town their method is, as is reported, to loot the shops and sell at a low price to the poorer of the people, and so demonstrate the economic protest which their movement is supposed to embody.

The movement, however, has been extended far beyond the bandit class by the previous skillful organisation of the Agricultural Unions. These set out with the intention of forcing an immediate decrease in the rents which agriculturists should pay for their lands. The course of agriculture in China is similar to that in other lands in the East. Volume VI of the report of the Jerusalem Conference, entitled "The Christian Mission in Relation to Rural Problems," shows a general agricultural depression to be

characteristic of Japan, Korea, India, and, though possibly to a less extent, of China. The salient result of this depression is that many farmers from being owners of their lands become at first part-owner part-tenant, and then tenant: the transition being made by the execution of mortgages on the fields raised at exorbitant rates of interest. There is another important factor. Owing to the increases of population, the holdings of a family become split up into sections too small to support the groups which own them, and there is a large increase of what in a corresponding crisis of English history came to be known as "landless men." Chinese rural society has been one of the most stable in the history of any country: but this development has been met by the specious agitation of Communistic theory imported from Russia, which has fallen on prepared soil. For there is no other solution in the field. During the long-extended revolution, government has been at a discount: and any effective solution would involve a policy which in the nature of things would take many years to carry through and which demands an intelligent and settled government, having at heart the interests of the agricultural community. So far, the conditions have not permitted such a policy, even if there were knowledge and goodwill enough to carry it through.

It is not surprising, therefore, that the Bolshevik short-cut to Utopia makes an immediate appeal when it is put in a persuasive and picturesque way to the peasants, and that so many of the students have been easily bitten with it. The fact that students have taken it up does, however, show the weakness of the Chinese educational system in recent years. It shows that the revolution has deprived the teaching class of a due historical sense, and left them but blind leaders of the blind. Recent pronouncements by the Nanking Government, and a change of policy in the Kuomintang, have done something to restore the balance. But the fruits of the previous period of unrestraint have inevitably to be repaid.

### Disarmament Conference.

Lord Cusden's offer to take a back seat in the discussions at the Preparatory Disarmament Conference, while possibly as logical as the British delegate ventured to suggest, comes nevertheless as a considerable surprise. The gesture is likely to be given, a very mixed reception in political and military circles, though it is realised that an early agreement is desirable in order that the real Disarmament Conference may be held. It is admitted by Lord Cusden that the British representatives have always taken very strong exception to certain features of the military limitation convention, particularly to the Continental views on the question of conscription and reservists. A storm of protest, it will be recalled, was aroused last year when it was learned that the British Government had made certain concessions in this connexion, in return for acceptance of the principles of the so-called Anglo-French naval compromise. That the principal British delegate should announce the complete withdrawal of all objections, even though the British Government is still of the same mind, seems to be playing with edged tools. The excuse given is that Britain is not a military Power in the sense that European Powers understand it, and that the countries regarded as military Powers should decide the matter for themselves. The attitude is strange. To us, it would seem more sensible to argue that because Britain has no great interest in the settlement of the various points in dispute, her opinion in the matter should be of greater weight.

We fail to see any real distinction between the world laughing at a failure to agree, and the world grinning at an agreement which fails to achieve its purpose, namely, the reasonable limitation of land armaments, and demilitarisation on a sound system.

### DAY BY DAY.

EDUCATION IS THE ART OF TEACHING THE YOUNG TO LEARN TO DO THE THINGS THAT THEY DO NOT LIKE TO DO.—Dr. A. W. Upcott.

H.M.S. Bruce is due to leave Woosung for Hongkong to-day.

The health return for the week-end shows one case each of smallpox, diphtheria and typhoid. All were Chinese.

The P. and O. liner Morea, with H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester aboard, is due here from Singapore at 10 a.m. on Thursday.

The P. and O. s.s. "Khiva" from Hongkong arrived London on 20th April, and the s.s. "Khyber" from Marseilles on 20th April.

Capt. J. L. P. Maenair, Royal Artillery, will deliver a lecture on "Curiosities of Mathematical Philosophy," at the Hongkong University at 8.30 p.m. on Friday.

The vaccination return of the St. John Ambulance Brigade gives a grand total of 339,089 vaccinated up to April 18. During last week there were 837 vaccinations.

The basket ball team of the University of the Philippines arrived here by the President Madison. They are on their way to Japan, where several tournaments are to be played.

The Hon. Treasurer of the St. John Ambulance Brigade begs to acknowledge the following donations towards the Funds of the Brigade:—Sir Robert Ho Tung, \$200; Mr. Kwok Hin-wang, \$25.

H.M.S. Sepoy arrived at Woosung from the Yangtsze on Saturday and left for Hongkong yesterday, on which day H.M.S. Cleopatra arrived at Woosung and H.M.S. Carysfort at Shanghai, both from Hongkong.

A Chinese who was arrested at the Kowloon Railway Station with 80 taels of raw opium in his possession was fined \$2400, or ten months' hard labour, by Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at Kowloon Magistrate this morning.

Amongst the passengers who arrived here from Manlia by the s.s. President Madison was Major K. A. McLennan, the manager of the Robin Hood Mills, Ltd., of Vancouver. Accompanied by his wife, he is on an extended tour of the Orient.

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The latest issue of the Silver Wolf, the official organ of the Boy Scouts and Girl Guides Associations of Hongkong, is a most readable number, and deals very interestingly with the local activities of the Associations. It includes a farewell letter from Mr. C. H. Blason, Assistant Commissioner, on the eve of his departure for Home.

The Ambulance Brigade group published in our Pictorial Supplement on Saturday was, by an inadvertence, given an incorrect caption. It was not the King's College Division, as stated but the Kowloon Division, under charge of Divisional Superintendent, E. Savage, with the Ralph Ellsley Shield. The error in description arose from the fact that the photograph was taken at King's College.

### EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, Apr. 21.
Paris	124.25%
Brussels	34.95%
Amsterdam	12.03
Berlin	20.47%
Copenhagen	13.21
Helsingfors	34.50
Lisbon	108%
Bucharest	810%
Buenos Aires	47.5/49
Shanghai	10.31/32
Yokohama	10.31/32
New York	4.85%
Geneva	25.21%
Milan	32.07%
Stockholm	13.14/15
Otto	1.64
Venice	33.09%
Madrid	37.4%
Athens	5.57/64
Rio	1/5.31/32
Bombay	1/11 1/4
Hongkong	25%
Silver (spot and forward)	British Wireless.

### HONGKONG IMPORTS.

#### JAPANESE PIECE GOODS COMPETITION.

The fortnightly Price Current and Market Report, published by the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, states:

##### Cotton Piece Goods.

The following reports have been received:

The market is quiet, with practically nothing doing. Deliveries have fallen away as is usual during the Ching Ming festival.

Cotton prices are cheaper, but are not reflected in the price of piecegoods.

There is very little buying of cotton piece goods at present. Now that the boycott has been more or less withdrawn business in Japanese goods is being resumed. Japanese qualities will thus be an active factor once more and will compete with the consignments sent out by Lancashire combines. Clearances have been steady, with white shirtings in fair demand.

##### Woollens.

A few small lines in miscellaneous fabrics have been put through. Bradford prices are reported to have reached a very cheap basis and will probably harden in the event of any weight of business. Clearances have been limited to a few packages of blankets and wool Venetians.

##### Cotton Yarn.

Since our last report market has remained unchanged and prices have further declined \$2 to \$4 per bale.

Nominal quotations are as follows:—No. 10s, \$175-190, No. 12s, \$180-192, No. 16s, \$195-200, No. 20s, \$200-210.

Arrivals nil. Shipments nil. Sales nil. Unsold Stock 900 bales. Bargains 4,800 bales.

*The Very Idea!*

The luckiest youth in London one day recently was Laurence Turner, a twenty-year-old packer employed by a city firm of linen merchants. When in Sloane Street, W., he found lying on the pavement the pearl necklace, worth £5,000, which had been lost by Lady Guthrie, while shopping. Little thinking that the pearls were of any value, Turner casually placed them in his pocket and went on his way. When eventually it was ascertained that his find might be valuable, the pearls were at once taken to the police station. A reward of £500 had been offered and this will be paid to Turner.

Mrs. Turner, Laurence's mother, said: "My son, when he came threw the pearls on my lap, saying, 'Here, mother, are some pearls for you.' None of us thought much about them until I saw they were fitted with a special safety catch. This made me think they might be of some value, so I took them to a jeweller. He said, 'You could not buy them for £1,000.'

"I nearly fainted with the shock and took them round to the police station."

"Maurice, mine boy, why you shut off the reddit?"

"Dey was broadcasting do services from de synagogue, Poppa."

"What's the matter with that? It's good you should listen to such things."

"Yes, Poppa, I know, but dey was taking do collection."

[Actually, says a traveller, the desert chieftain is a very commonplace character.]

Till now it's always seemed to us (We shared our novelist's beliefs) that there was something glorious About Saharan chiefs.

To-day we have begun to deem That notion one of our mistakes; These desert chieftains, it would seem, Are really no great sheiks.

Head aloft, she sailed majestically down the stairs to Charing Cross Underground. With the studied sang-froid of a theatrical star, basking in the full limelight of public gaze, she walked "down stage" to a porter standing at a door of the train.

Focusing her gold lorgnette, she gave him a cold stare "once over," and said: "Portah! Will this train take me to Victor-ah?"

On receiving a polite assurance that it would, she swept into the carriage.

With owl-like solemnity the porter whipped off his cap and brushed the platform with it as he executed a bow worthy of a 17th century gallant.

Then, replacing it at a jaunty angle, he winked knowingly at a colleague, and shouted: "Bill! We've sold the bloomin' Station!"

Wife at Bow—I always shut my mouth if my husband has been drinking.

North London woman, of her landlady—She has taught her dogs to cry and imitate my three babies.

Debtors, at Westminster County Court—I shall have to go to prison. I've got nothing. Judge Turner—it is only if you have money and won't pay that you have the privilege of going to prison.

"I am not actually a builder's foreman. I just walk round outside the job."—A man at Kingston-on-Thames, earning £3 a week and travelling expenses.

Mr. Cain, the Thames magistrate—Married people should remember that not all women are angels any more than all men are not saints.

A story of the early days of railways:

A little girl, boarding a train for Aberdeen from Edinburgh, asked the guard to tell her when they came to Dundee. The train steamed on through Dundee, and the guard, suddenly remembering about the girl, told the driver to shunt the train back into the station. He ran up to the carriage where the little girl was, saying, "Come on, lass. This is Dundee."

"Oh, thank ye very much," she replied smiling. "Ma grannie told me she eat ma pie when I got the Dundee!"

The engagement is announced of Harold Gordon Eales, second son of the late Mr. W. J. Eales and of Mrs. Eales, Uplands Park, Enfield, and Louise, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Vivian Hogg, of Paak Hok Tung, Canton.

## TO BREAK WORLD RECORD.

CZECHO-SLOVAKIANS ARRIVE IN HONGKONG.

## TO COVER 100,000 KMS.

Two Czechoslovakians, Mr. Bohumil Pospisil, editor and author, with his secretary, Mr. Joseph Hubl, arrived in Hongkong from Haliphon on Saturday. The two travellers started two years and six months ago from Prague, Czechoslovakia, on an attempt to break the world's record of 40,000 kms, by covering 100,000 kms and crossing all Continents. Their enterprise is the longest distance effort of its kind and they undertake to carry it out in three years.

Travelling in the style of modern Marco Polo, the two adventurers have already covered 80,000 kms, travelling on foot, camels, horseback, bullock-carts, elephants, river-boats, motor-cars and railways. They have already passed through Europe, Asia, South Seas, and their itinerary has been marked by sojourns in Turkey, Syria, Kurdistan, Arabia, Mesopotamia, Persia, Baluchistan, India, Burma, the Straits Settlements, Malacca, Penang and the States of Johore, Negri Sembilan, Selangor, Perak, Kedah, Perlis, Siam, Cambodia, Cochinchina, Annam, Tonkin, China, Mongolia, Manchuria, Korea, Japan, the Philippines, and Sulu Islands, British and Dutch Borneo, the Celebes Islands, Bali, Java, and Sumatra.

The travellers earn their living on the way by journalistic work and by lecturing on the subject of their experiences and discoveries and informing the public of matters of interest regarding the newly-established Czechoslovak Republic, especially regarding its industry and commercial relations with the foreign countries. Besides books of travel, Mr. Pospisil is preparing a series of lectures with pictures for educational societies of his country and for the Czechoslovakian Ministry of Education.

An effort to establish a record of 100,000 kms, was made five years ago by another Czechoslovak journalist with his wife and friend. He was, however, killed by bandits when trying to cross the Arabian desert. His wife was seriously wounded, her arm being subsequently amputated, while the third companion became mentally deranged. In spite of warnings by European press Mr. Pospisil with his secretary get out and so far has managed to come through safely.

## Many Perils.

In Asiatic countries the travellers faced danger at many points while crossing sun-stricken deserts, ice-covered mountains, wandering in snow blizzards and through jungles inhabited by wild animals. They passed through Greece at the time of the revolution against General Pangalos. In Kurdistan, they encountered the revolt against Mustapha Kemal. Kurd rebels attacked them, but the fact that they had no firearms or even knives with them saved their lives. The two travellers have agreed not to carry arms of any kind during their trip.

Crossing Syria, they experienced thrilling escapes, having been captured by Druse insurgents who were at war with the French.

In the Arabian desert the travellers were stopped by Bedouins, who took away their clothes and everything they possessed. So that they had to go through the barren desert for four days quite naked, lacking food and water.

Unconscious, they were picked up by the mysterious Devil Worshippers who live in the mountainous oasis at Djebel Sindjer. In addition to securing valuable experiences in China during the recent internal strife the travellers were also kidnapped by Northern bandits; but when the latter learned who their involuntary guests were, they were released and even offered financial compensation. In Mongolia, they nearly lost their lives in a terrible snowstorm.

The travellers will stay here for some days before leaving for America. Mr. Pospisil is at the service of societies or clubs as a lecturer. Those interested should communicate with him in Y.M.C.A., Kowloon.

The annual meeting of the Chinese Club took place on Saturday afternoon in the Club rooms Des Voeux Road Central, and was attended by a large number of members, Dr. Ma Luh being in the chair. The report and accounts of last year were unanimously passed, and the following were elected officials for the coming year: Mr. Li Ho-tung, Chairman, Mr. Chiu Mu-chow, Vice-Chairman, Mr. K. L. Chau, Hon. Secretary, Mr. Woo Pak-luk, Hon. Treasurer, and eleven other members to serve on the Executive Committee.

## DROUGHT AFFECTS SWATOW.

## FEARS THAT HARVEST WILL BE LOST.

## POLITICAL FEARS.

## BURGLAR'S FRANK ADMISSION.

## TOLD POLICE HAD COMMITTED A CRIME.

## GETS SIX MONTHS.

From all around comes the cry of drought. A week or two ago, it seemed as if the weather had broken just in time for planting out the rice, but though the skies clouded over, and there were showers from time to time, no quantity of water fell. The rivers and streams did not fill, and there was insufficient water to flood the fields.

Now the grass has definitely gone up again, and the weather is sunny and dry, ideal weather if the spring rain had come before it. Only a small proportion of the rice has been put in, and even that will be difficult to keep under water unless a change comes. Unless rain falls heavily in the next ten days, the harvest will be lost. So far as possible, farmers are putting in alternative crops. In addition to the usual amount of sugar cane, fields are being planted with larger amount than usual of indigo, hemp, earth nuts, and sweet potatoes. A kind of rice which grows in dry fields is also being planted so far as seed can be obtained.

Fortunately this part of the country has had good crops recently, so that the comparative failure of one will not have immediately serious consequences. The last rice harvest was good, as also was the interim wheat crop. Sugar was good, but its market price is poor.

Economic conditions often directly effect political, and it has been a strong bulwark against neighbouring communism that the people have been relieved of the spectre of want. The prospects for each season are the more eagerly watched when so much may hang on them.

*Our Own Correspondent.*

## ROBBERY SEQUEL.

## ONE MAN DISCHARGED AT SESSIONS.

## H.M.S. CARYSFORT'S RETURN.

## PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME ISSUED.

## H.M.S. CARYSFORT'S RETURN.

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## THE SHIELD FINAL SURPRISE.

## KOWLOON SUFFER A HEAVY DEFEAT.

## SOUTH CHINA ON TOP AFTER SENSATIONAL START.

## LUCK ALL ONE WAY.

[By "Wanderer".]

## SOUTH CHINA 5 KOWLOON 0.

The most remarkable Senior Shield final for years resulted from the meeting of Kowloon and South China. The Chinese team not only captured the trophy for the first time, but did so by defeating the holders by five clear goals, and deserved their success. The superiority of their attack was obvious. Li Wal-tong fitting into the inside-left position ideally, forming a most formidable wing with Ip Pak-wa.

Kowloon were a disappointingly erratic side, though it must be admitted that they had desperately bad luck from the start to the finish. It was South China's day. Nothing the Chinese team attempted failed to come off. Kowloon could do nothing right.

The kick began with the spin of the coin. Pau Ka-ping was successful, setting Kowloon to face a blazing sun. The start was sensational; a miss kick by Easterbrook allowed Chiu Kwok to put in a weak shot. Angus had the easiest task in normal conditions to get the ball away, but the sun apparently caught his eyes as he was picking up, and he fumbled, being overwhelmed by three Chinese players who rushed him, bowled him over and forced the ball through.

Although it was obvious that several of the youthful Kowloon team were suffering from nerves, they rallied finely and Hedley broke through, putting in a terrific shot from fifteen yards which had Pau completely beaten, but went the wrong side of the post by a few inches.

Again some clever work on the Kowloon right wing spell danger, and Hedley repeated his effort, another great shot passing the post at almost exactly the same spot. After two left-offs, South China's raiders came into the picture. Kowloon's defenders were muddled, and eventually Li Wal-tong secured from the scramble and netted with a great shot.

South China thus led by two goals in the first fourteen minutes, the sun being a valuable contributory factor.

Kowloon were seen at their best as far as this game was concerned, in the next twenty minutes. They had South China going and kept them guessing for a long period. Unfortunately, they lacked leadership, Hannan being much too slow. He could not shake off the attentions of Leung Wing-lak, while he seldom paired with the ball to good purpose. The most dangerous raids came from the right, where Hedley and Eastman gave a capable exhibition. Pile and Guest stopped the occasional Chinese ventures in this period by nice clean kicking.

No matter how hard Kowloon pressed, however, they engineered exceptionally few scoring chances, and even when one did come their way, the finishing was poor. Once they enticed Pau out of his goal, and Hedley had an empty net to shoot into, but Hannan robbed him of the opportunity by hooking it over his head back to the goal. Such frittering of opportunities boded no good, and Kowloon can have few excuses.

It seemed that the interval would arrive with the score at 2-0 for South China, leaving Kowloon with a chance of pulling up in the second half when their opponents were required to contend with the sinking sun. Just on time, however, a miss kick by Guest let in Fung King-choong, who scrambled the ball through in a tussle on the goal-line with Angus.

Kowloon did not deserve to be three down at the interval, though South China are to be congratulated on accepting all their chances.

The result was put beyond all doubt early in the second half; Li Wal-tong scoring with a great shot from a "pass" by a Kowloon player. Up to the scoring of this goal, Kowloon had continued their fight game-

## FANLING HUNT.

## ACE OF SPADES WINS CHAMPIONS.

There was some excellent sport at the concluding steeplechase meet of the Fanling Hunt at Kwan-ti yesterday. The main event, the Fanling Champion Steeplechase, was won by Mr. Ulster's Ace of Spades, ridden by Mr. R. H. Charles, who was the most successful jockey of the day. The band of the Somerset Light Infantry attended and rendered an excellent programme. Results of the racing were:

Avaldopols Stakes.—Once Round Inside Course:  
Mrs. Charles's May (Mr. Charles) 1  
Messrs. Lee and Lau's Ploughman (Mr. Bullock) 2  
Mr. Beck's Strathlorne (Mr. Mattingley) 3  
Pari Mutuel: Win \$7.10. Place \$0.20.  
Won by:  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile.

Betting. Win Place

Ace of Spades (Mr. Charles) 184 53

Blotting Paper (Dr. McGowen) 57 12

Bronze Idol (Mr. Clarke) 68 9

Summer Consolation Stake: 1 mile. On Inside Course:

Mr. BJuke's Solitaire (Mr. Fischer) 1

Strathlorne (Mr. Mattingley) 4 7

Fanling Stag (Mr. McCartney) 33 40

Two Clubs (Mr. Newbigging) 33 41

April Handicap.—About 1 $\frac{1}{4}$  Miles on National Course:

Mr. Ulster's Erin's Isle (Mr. Charles) 1

Mr. Stanton's Target (Mr. Charles) 1

Mr. Macnamara's James Piggy (Mr. Clarke) 2

Pari Mutuel: Win \$0.00; Place \$0.20; \$6.20; \$0.70.

Won by: A neck; Many lengths.

Betting. Win Place

Gold Medal (Mr. Newbigging) 82 69

Solitaire (Mr. Fischer) 37 61

Sunloch (Mr. Warrel) 7 10

Honeymoon (Mr. Arnold) 2 8

Drake (Dr. Durran) 3 22

Fire Call (Mr. Bullock) 85 118

Sea Hawk (Mr. Wyburd) 7 20

Strathlorne (Mr. Clarke) 25 66

Siang River (Dr. McGowen) 25 66

Cash Sweeps.

The following were the results of the cash sweeps:

Race 1.

Ticket No. 48 \$135.80

" 38 38.80

" 51 19.40

Unplaced (\$10 each): 9, 32, 17 and 14.

Race 2.

Ticket No. 02 \$221.20

" 5 68.20

" 13 31.60

Unplaced (\$10 each): 39, 68 and 43.

Race 3.

Ticket No. 91 \$201.00

" 39 83.40

" 65 41.70

Race 4.

Ticket No. 5 \$229.00

" 23 65.60

" 46 32.80

Race 5.

Ticket No. 52 \$208.20

" 42 55.20

" 18 42.60

Special Drawing (4th Race).

Ticket No. 3,350 \$2,764.30

" 1,382 789.80

" 1,098 334.90

Non-starters (\$0.85 each): 6,240.

5,038, 6,512, 8,682, 2,831, 6,703,

2,122 and 4,682.

## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

## CABLE QUOTATIONS OF AMERICAN STOCKS.

The following quotations as at the close of the market on Saturday have been received from their correspondents, Messrs. Hayden, Stone and Co., of New York by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz, Sassoon House, Shanghai, (cable address "Swanstock" Shanghai), who are not responsible for cable mutilations. These quotations are subject to confirmation:

Anacoda Copper	139
Bethelco Steel	117
Chrysler Corp. (Common)	93
General Motors (Common)	85
Goodrich B.F. (Common)	85
Granby Consolidated Copper	83
International Cement (Common)	89
Liggott & Myers "B"	89
Missouri Pacific (Common)	81
Nevada Consolidated Copper	47
Packard Motor Car (Common)	129
Radio Corporation of America (Common)	102
Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey	69
Standard Oil Co. of New York	49
Southern Pacific	67
United States Leather "A"	186
Vacuum Oil	25
Willys Overland	Missing.

## FANLING GOLF.

## MAJOR BEAMISH WINS REPLAY.

In the play-off for the Captain's Cup (April) at Fanling, Major Beamish qualified by defeating L. R. Andrewes. His score was 76 (86-10).

For the Bogey Pool there were 28 entries. T. C. Monaghan (14) won with 7 up, other scores being Major Beamish (10) 1 up, O. E. C. Marton (Scr.) 1 down, N. K. Littlejohn (13) 1 down.

## THE STRONG HAND.

## SPANISH UNIVERSITIES BEING CLOSED DOWN.

Madrid, Apr. 20.

The Government has declared that there are too many doctors and lawyers in Spain and has closed the medical faculty of Salamanca. It threatens to close the other colleges where there has been political trouble. Oviedo and Barcelona Universities have been totally closed down.—Reuters.

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QUEEN'S **THURSDAY TO SATURDAY**

## M.C.C. CRICKETERS.

## CIVIC RECEPTION ACCORDED AT DOVER.

Dover, Apr. 20.

The M.C.C. cricketers, with the exception of A. P. F. Chapman, the captain, and D. R. Jardine, who are returning by other routes later, have arrived from Australia after their triumphant tour. They were given a civic reception at Dover and were met by a tremendous crowd, composed of hundreds of sportsmen, at Victoria Reuter.

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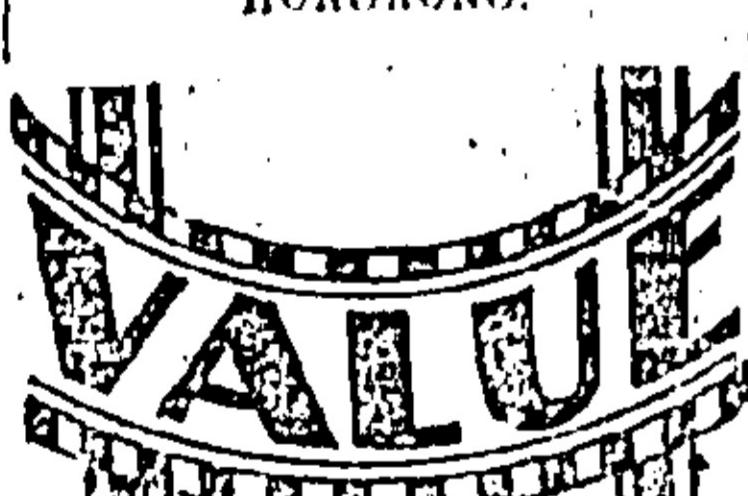
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**ROWING VICTORY FOR CANTON.****VISITORS WIN TWO INTER-PORT EVENTS.****YACHT CLUB REGATTA.**

Canton gained a glorious victory in the inter-port rowing events which were organised by the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club on Saturday afternoon in conjunction with the Closing Day Cruises. The visitors from the neighbouring port won two of the three events and thus obtained their revenge for their defeat by the local oarsmen in January last.

Prior to the distribution of the prizes by Mrs. H. S. Rouse, Mr. A. L. Shields, the Commodore, congratulated Canton on their victory and then went on to review the year's activities.

There was a large attendance of members and friends, who watched the various races with keen interest. During the afternoon two rinks of lawn bowls were engaged on, the Club's greens.

The first of the Inter-port events was the Senior Fours for the Stock Exchange Challenge Cup, presented for inter-club competition. After a keenly contested race, the Hongkong crew crossed the line one and a half lengths in front of the visitors.

The local oarsmen gained a lead at the start, losing two lengths in front of their opponents almost immediately after the gun. The visitors rowed hard to decrease the lead and at the half way mark they were within one length of their opponents. This lead was maintained by Hongkong until within 300 yards from the finishing line. The local crew spurred another half a length ahead, and although the visitors made every effort to overtake them, the Hongkong representatives took the verdict by a length and a half.

The crews were:

Canton—Bow, R. Kiewitz (151 lbs.), No. 2, W. Eckert (158 lbs.), No. 3, J. H. Freilich (180 lbs.), Stroke, R. Rasmussen (170 lbs.) and Cox, A. R. Kiroos (117 lbs.).

Hongkong—Bow, A. H. Chambers (162 lbs.), No. 2, W. Spohler (164 lbs.), No. 3, R. Schmidt (157 lbs.), Stroke, H. Deyhle (152 lbs.), and Cox, F. Lenfesty (126 lbs.).

**Junior Fours.**

A mishap to Hongkong's boat cost the local oarsmen the junior fours, although when the rowlock broke the visitors were in the lead. After the accident the local crew were only pulling three ours and were hopelessly beaten.

During the first half mile the boats were well together, but it was noticed that Canton were always gaining slightly and were about one length in front. It was when Hongkong made greater effort that Kendrew's rowlock broke. Canton maintained the same speed and finished six lengths in front, to become the holders of the Rynes Challenge Cup for inter-club junior fours.

The crews were:

Canton—Bow, R. Kiewitz (151 lbs.), No. 2, W. Eckert (158 lbs.), No. 3, V. E. G. Ferrier (180 lbs.), Stroke, M. Hecht (159 lbs.) and Cox, A. R. Kiroos (117 lbs.).

Hongkong—Bow, W. J. Purvis (157 lbs.), No. 2, J. A. E. Kendrew (167 lbs.), No. 3, G. T. Padgett (175 lbs.), Stroke, H. Hinsworth (150 lbs.), and F. W. Schram (130 lbs.).

**Senior Fours.**

After gaining a slight lead at the start, the Hongkong crew failed to maintain their advantage which they lost before the half way line was passed. Canton had the lead for the last three quarters of the distance and finished two lengths in front of Hongkong.

The visitors thus won their second Challenge Cup which was presented by Mr. Murdoch Bennett.

The crews were:

Canton—Bow, R. Kiewitz (151 lbs.), No. 2, W. Eckert (158 lbs.), No. 3, V. E. G. Ferrier (180 lbs.), Stroke, R. Rasmussen (170 lbs.) and Cox, A. R. Kiroos (117 lbs.).

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**Garrison Rowing.**

The annual rowing races for the Crown Cup and Ah King Cup among members of the Hongkong Garrison took place over a course from near Channel Rocks to the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club last week.

For the Crown Cup there were seven entries, as follows:

20 Heavy By., R.A. ("A" crew), R.E. & R.C.S., B. Coy. K.O.S.B., 20th Heavy By., R.A. ("B" crew), 12th Heavy By., R.A., 31st Heavy By., R.A. ("A" crew), 12th Heavy By., R.A.

The event was won by the "A" crew of the 20th Heavy By., Royal Artillery, with the 31st Battery second and the "B" crew of the 20th Heavy By. third. The winners won by two lengths.

The Ah King Cup, for second crews, of units, attracted five entries, as follows: M.G. Coy. K.O.S.B., 31st Heavy By., R.A., 20th Heavy By., R.A. ("B" crew), 20th Heavy By., R.A. ("A" crew), 12th Heavy By., R.A.

The 20th Heavy Battery again distinguished themselves, their "A" crew taking the Cup by four lengths. The 12th Battery who were second were seven lengths in front of the "B" crew of the 20th Heavy Battery.

The races were judged by the Commodore of the Yacht Club, Mr. A. L. Shields, assisted by Mr. E. W. Carpenter. They were started by Mr. A. Murdoch, and Mr. S. J. Jordain acted as umpire.

After the races, the cups and prizes were presented by the Commodore of the Yacht Club.

The Garrison Rowing representative, Rev. C. S. Little, C.F., expressed the thanks of the Garrison Rowing community to the Commodore for his kindness in judging and presenting the cups and prizes, and to the other members of the R.H.K.Y.C. who had so kindly acted as officials.

**TENNIS DINNER.**  
COLONY'S NEW CHAMPION ENTERTAINED.

Members of the Chinese Recreation Club were hosts on Friday evening to Mr. M. W. Lo, an old member of the Club, who is this year the holder of the Colony's open singles tennis championship. There were about thirty present at a Chinese dinner held in the Club pavilion and a convivial evening was spent. Mr. Lo was presented by the Club with a handsome silver cup, suitably inscribed.

Mr. Ng See-kwong, Chairman of the Club and himself for many years a spectator of the final match, and expressed his appreciation of Mr. Lo's brilliant play. He had never seen a better struggle for the title.

Responding, Mr. Lo thanked his fellow members for the honour of having the champion among its members. He had been a keen spectator of the final match, he expressed satisfaction also at having been able to contribute to the maintenance of the Club's tennis record.

Mr. Lo's health was enthusiastically toasted with musical honours and a tiger. The health of the Club's energetic Hon. Secretary, Mr. C. P. Lee, was also honoured.

London, April 20.

Joo Davis retained the title of Professional Billiards Champion at the Thurston Hall, when he defeated Tom Newman by 18,000 points to 17,219.—Reuter.

2. R. E. Mess's "Wings" (Mrs. Doyle.)

Same Course. Five yachts started.

The finishing times were:

"Speedwell" (1st) ..... 42.6.58

"Wing" (2nd) ..... 42.7.37

"Jingum" (3rd) ..... 42.9.06

"Why Wonder" (4th) ..... 43.0.27

"Blue nose" (5th) ..... 43.1.56

"Gael" (6th) ..... 43.2.11

"Lion" (7th) (Mrs. Illingworth); 2. Liang, Condr. "Alisa" (Miss De Bero).

Same course. Four yachts took part but "Speedwell" did not finish.

The times were:

"Jingum" (1st) ..... 42.7.12

"Wing" (2nd) ..... 42.8.12

"Alisa" (3rd) ..... 42.9.26

"Speedwell" (4th) ..... 42.9.33

LAWN BOWLS.

The two lawn bowls matches played on the Club's green resulted as follow:

No. 1 Rink.

Abraham ..... Jordain

Wylie ..... Sutherland

Guy ..... Wood

Edwards ..... 18 Chapman

No. 2 Rink.

Black ..... 1 Sutton

Williamson ..... Herridge

Homay ..... Reed

Shaw ..... 21 Davies

The winners on each rink received silver spoons.

Officials.

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**TEACHING HYGIENE.****ANNUAL HEALTH WEEK AT  
THE CHINESE Y.M.C.A.**

The opening of the Annual Health Campaign under the joint auspices of the Hongkong Chinese Medical Association, the Chinese Medical Association, the Chinese Y.W.C.A., and the Chinese Y.M.C.A., took place on Saturday, when a public meeting was held in the Y.M.C.A. hall, Bridges Street. Dr. Chau Wan-cheung, President of the Medical Association, presided and addresses were given by Hon. Dr. A. R. Wellington, Director of the Medical and Sanitary Services, and Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, member of the Sanitary Board.

During the campaign an interest in health will be stimulated by three methods, lectures, medical examinations, and an exhibit. Lectures will be given by Drs. T. P. Woo, K. C. Yeo, S. F. Lee, Arthur Woo, S. N. Chau and H. Y. Choi. W. Woo, S. N. Chau and H. Y. Choi on the following subjects:—Morals and Hygiene, Air and Hygiene, Mosquito and Fly and Hygiene, Food and Hygiene, Care of the Eye and Hygiene, The Prevention of Infectious Diseases. In addition to the doctors who will lecture the following are giving free examinations:—Drs. S. To Wong, C. H. Ho, S. Ho Aslou, T. M. Tsui, M. Wong, K. Y. Li, P. S. Lee, Y. S. Wan, W. C. Chau, W. K. Fok, L. S. Shin, Lee Sung, T. Y. Lee, F. I. Tseng, F. C. Tsang, Hoaching, Sydenham.

The walls of the hall and lounge at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. are hung with numerous charts, which are very effective in furthering the objects of the campaign by means of visual instruction. A whole room is occupied by the Nestle and Anglo-Swiss Milk Co. as an exhibit and clinic on the care and feeding of infants.

**Director's Address.**

In his encouraging address Hon. Dr. A. R. Wellington, Director of Medical and Sanitary Services, said:

It gives me great pleasure to be among you to-day and to assist in this endeavour to bring the benefits of hygiene or health to the understanding of the people.

Ordinary persons do not live in dangerous surroundings and court disaster by choice. When they do so it is either because they cannot help themselves or because they do not understand the danger.

Every one aims at bettering his position and to get the best possible out of life. The desire for money and position is based on the comfort of mind and body wealth is supposed to give. Too often it is forgotten that without health there can be no comfort either of mind or of body.

The ordinary man has no desire to do an injury to his neighbour or to receive one from him. He is out to live and let live. If he carries a gun and knows the danger of it he will take precautions. If he carries a bottle of poison and he knows it to be such he will take care that he will not spill any.

On the other hand, if the neighbours are aware of the gun or the poisons they will either keep at a safe distance or take measures to ensure their protection. But if no one knows the danger no one will take precautions and accidents will happen.

**Causes of Disease.**

Every Medical man knows that the causes of disease are living germs or seeds, which grow and multiply when placed in suitable soil but which will die under unfavourable conditions. The best soil for disease is the human body. Outside the body they are living at a disadvantage and they lie in wait for an opportunity to enter.

The man whom disease is developing or has developed is the man with the gun or the poison, though neither he nor his neighbours know it. To prevent him hurting any one precautions must be taken both by him and by the neighbours. Each will perhaps take care if the danger be understood but nothing will be done if not.

Each case of disease is a fight between the cells which together form the body or fort, and the germs, the enemy cause of sickness. Sometimes the fight is short, a matter of a few days or even a few hours, sometimes it is long, a matter of years. If the germs win death occurs and the fort is destroyed. If the cells win the germs are destroyed and recovery takes place. The amount of recovery depends on the damage done to the fort. In some cases this can be repaired so that it is as good and as strong as before the battle—sometimes what remains is only a wreck beyond repair. In between are all grades.

**Every Man a Fort.**

Every man is a fort and every disease germ is an enemy, aiming at the destruction of that fort. Once they are inside they strive to multiply. Whether they do so or not depends on the opposition put up by the body cells among whom they have found place. At first they are few in number and create little disturbance, but when they have developed to sufficient numbers they upset the workings of the body and bring about the signs of disease. To be healthy you must prevent the germs from finding place inside you, or if they have found place you must assist your body to destroy them.

**AVIATION MISHAPS.****SEVEN PEOPLE KILLED IN  
MANCHURIA.**

Mukden, Apr. 20. An aeroplane crashed here yesterday morning and broke out in flames.

Two pilots, three mechanics and two passengers were killed.—Reuters.

Four U.S.N. Airmen.

San Diego, Apr. 20.

Four U.S. Naval airmen were killed as the result of a seaplane collision in mid-air.—Reuters.

American Service.

In the vast majority of cases the cure of disease lies in the body itself. All the doctor does is to assist nature to effect a cure. In one way he is the general who directs the campaign but the fighting forces are the cells of which the body is composed.

My object in saying all this is to show that the prevention and cure of disease is the concern of every one of us. Each sick man should realize that, not only is his disease a danger to himself but it is a danger to others, and every healthy man should understand that the sick person is a reservoir of disease: he is the man with the gun and should be prevented from doing harm to his neighbours.

The germs which escape from the body do so mainly by the excretions. Once outside they are at a disadvantage and they lie in wait, watching an opportunity to enter another person.

Darkness, dirt, moisture and stagnant air are favourable to them and unfavourable to man: light, cleanliness, dryness and fresh air are detrimental to them and favourable to man.

Government's Part.

The whole object of the science of hygiene is to render life more vigorous and death more remote by promoting those factors which raise the bodily tone and counteracting those which lower it, and by waging war against the germs which are the cause of disease.

The laws which are made by Governments to promote the Public Health are made with the object of ultimately helping the individual. But laws and regulations are of little avail unless there be co-operation between the people and the authorities. The people will respond heartily when they understand but if they remain ignorant they will misconstrue the intentions of the authorities and, there will follow apathy or opposition.

Everyone who assists in teaching the people to understand is conveying benefit to the community and I know of no better way of spreading the necessary knowledge than through such movements as Health Week, when everyone is engaged in benevolent propaganda.

Until a year or two ago spitting was common in England. The floor of buses and trams was soiled with sputum. Through health propaganda the working man has come to understand that spitting spreads consumption. The danger being realised he now refrains from spitting, partly to prevent himself from spreading disease, partly in the hope that others will follow his example. The floors of the trams, buses and trains are now clean and great benefit has ensued.

I have been working among Chinese for some twenty-four years and I think I know something about them. I have always found them most intelligent and always ready to co-operate for the good of the whole. I feel sure it is only necessary for them to understand the situation regarding disease and the means of combating it, to get their full co-operation in measures for the protection of the Public Health.

I wish the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. every success in their endeavours to assist the people and I hope that their efforts may stimulate others to join in the good work.

Mr. Wong Kwong-tin's Speech.—Mr. Wong Kwong-tin said:—It gives me much pleasure to have the privilege of saying a few words at a meeting, the object of which is to witness the opening of the third anniversary health campaign. As a member of the Sanitary Board, I cannot but be interested in any movement which has for its aim the betterment of the health of Hongkong's residents. These campaigns in the past have been most successful and have been instrumental not only in cultivating a sense of responsibility in matters pertaining to health and sanitation, but have also meant education and enlightenment to many.

I know of no body of men who have the spirit of self-sacrifice more deeply instilled in them than the members of the medical profession and the members of the Young Men's and Young Women's Christian Associations, who have organized this campaign. The saying "Health is Better than Money" is well known to every one. Books on public health and sanitation can give you no more than theory on the subjects. It is practice of what we know to be sanitary is what we need. So I say, go ahead with what you are doing. See that the most ignorant practise cleanly habits, and my wishes are with you for every success.

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"By the Blue Hawaiian Waters," Kecelby, Victor Concert Orchestra.

"Song My Mother Taught Me," Dvorak, Victor Solo, Reginald Foort.

"A Room with a View," Noel Coward, Baritone.

"Salut d'Amour," Elgar, Marek Weber's Orchestra.

"The Magic Song," Holmud, Cohen on the Telephone, Tom Clark.

"Cohen Rings Up His Tailor," Cohen Rings Up His Tailor, Tom Clark.

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## ASSAULT CASE ENDS.

### SUMMONS AGAINST SUB-EDITOR DISMISSED.

The assault summons brought by Mak Hung, an office-boy of the *China Mail* against Mr. W. A. A. Donaldson, sub-editor, was concluded before Major C. Wilson on Saturday morning at the Central Police Court.

Mr. Donaldson was recalled for cross-examination by Mr. Leo D'Almada:

Mr. Donaldson, you remember, in the course of your evidence the other day, you stated that complainant first assaulted you?—Certainly.

You said you "pushed him along," now can you reconcile that opening statement with your case that it was the boy who first assaulted you?—He struck me at the stair-case.

His Worship interposed, and in referring to his notes, recalled that Mr. Donaldson said the boy, on being reprimanded, turned round and abruptly pushed him (Mr. Donaldson) over to his desk.

Mr. D'Almada: There is one other question. Mr. Donaldson: Why didn't you report the matter to Mr. Burnett?

Mr. Donaldson: Because Mr. Burnett had already heard of it, and because I did not wish the boy to be dismissed, as in nine cases out of ten he would be.

It is not because you thought it was below your dignity to do so?—No.

Complainant's Expenses.

Mr. Wai Po-cheung was recalled at the instance of the defendant.

Mr. Donaldson: Mr. Wai, you remember this unfortunate affair took place on a Saturday afternoon. On the following Monday afternoon, you came up to me in the compositors' room and said to me, "What was this all about?"

Witness: Yes.

Well, I said I did not wish to discuss the matter with you. I had not discussed it even with my wife, nor even with Mr. Burnett nor with Mr. Dobble?—Words to that effect, yes.

Well, you then said: "He is going to sue you?"—I told you that Sung Kee and the entire members of the Chinese staff had come to me and asked me to subscribe towards paying for the boy's legal expenses and for getting a solicitor.

Mr. Wai, have you gone to the extent of paying solicitor's expenses in this matter?

Witness, smilingly: That matter has not been settled yet.

Mr. Donaldson: Did you not say so?

Witness: I said so, and I was willing to do so.

Is it not the case, Mr. Wai, that you knew of this affair on Saturday afternoon?—Only to the extent of what the boy told me. I was not then very clear as to what had occurred.

You knew a good lot from the boy's viewpoint?—The impression I had was that everything had been fixed up.

On Monday afternoon you wanted to know all about it. You pretended not to know anything about it. You asked me all about it—I did not pretend, I wanted to know.

Defendant's Case.

This closed the evidence.

Addressing the Magistrate, Mr. Donaldson said: "In the first place, I am right in saying that

## PARIS—SAIGON.

### AVIATORS MAKE RETURN TRIP IN GOOD TIME.

Paris, April 20.—The French aviators, Bailly and Reginensi, have completed their return flight from Indo-China. They left Saigon on the 12th inst.—Reuters.

Paris, April 21.—Bailly and Reginensi's time for their return trip beat all speed records for this flight. Their actual flying time for the 15,000 mile journey out and back was 160 hours.—Reuters.

A message dated the 5th inst. stated that these two aviators had arrived at Saigon from Paris in eleven days.

this regrettable affair would never have been brought to your notice had it been left entirely to the complainant. He returned to his job about an hour after the incident and everything since then has gone along very well. I should like to say that it seems to me that the whole matter has been greatly exaggerated.

I had ample opportunities of effecting a so-called settlement, and certainly would have done so had I been the aggressor. But, as I have informed your Worship, I have come forward here and exposed myself to a great deal of publicity simply because I feel it would be doing myself an injury should I acquiesce in such a settlement as was asked.

"As I said in the witness box on oath, the complainant, after I had reprimanded him and told him that I would have to get another boy, struck at me, apparently thinking that he was going to be dismissed. After that he pushed him along the room, and said, about that time, that I would report him to the taliban on Monday. He then struck me, as I have said, and consequently I had no alternative but to defend myself, as any Englishman would. Your Worship must see that I did so after very great provocation. I think that is all I have to say."

Complainant's Case.

Mr. D'Almada said: The facts are so fresh in your Worship's mind, and, in view of the fact that, at the actual assault, there were no witnesses at all, it would be within your Worship's duties to say to yourself, "Well, which side is telling the truth?" I have no doubt that in a case like this, it is your general rule to dispel from your mind altogether whether one man is a cog in a humble position on the staff and the other is sub-editor of the paper. Your Worship will have an unbiased mind; in this case you would decide in such a manner as would please both parties.

His Worship: Can you suggest how I can please both parties?

Mr. D'Almada: I am suggesting that it is difficult for your Worship to please both parties. I am suggesting that it is not usual for a Magistrate to have a case of this nature, a case which I regret should have been brought before the Court. Your Worship will remember that Mr. Donaldson, in the witness-box, showed how actively complainant actually assaulted him, and made gestures with his arms as if he were a pugilist himself. He asked complainant whether he had learned the pugilistic art, which is very unlikely. One would think, from Mr. Donaldson's remarks, that

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## OBITUARY.

### EX-KAISER'S BROTHER DIES FROM PNEUMONIA.

Berlin, Apr. 29. The death has occurred from pneumonia of Prince Henry of Prussia.—Reuter.

Prince Henry of Prussia, brother of the former German Emperor, was born on August 14, 1862, in the Neue Palais at Potsdam, his parents being the Crown Prince (and afterwards Emperor) Frederick, and Princess Victoria of England. With his elder brother he attended the gymnasium (grammar school) at Cassel. After taking his final examination there in 1877 he entered the Navy. Having passed through the various lower grades, he became Rear-Admiral in 1895 and was appointed Inspector of the 1st Naval District in 1897 and Commander of the 2nd Far Eastern Squadron. On December 16, he proceeded in the cruiser Deutschland to the East, where in 1898 he was given the chief command.

In December 1899 he was promoted Vice-Admiral and in February 1900, returned home and was appointed on September 10, 1901, Admiral of the German Fleet. On September 21, 1903, he was made head of the Baltic naval station and in 1906 Commander-in-Chief of the Battle Fleet. In September, 1909, however, he retired from the command of the High Sea Fleet and became Inspector-General of the Navy.

Prince Henry married Princess Irene of Hesse, a daughter of Ludwig II, Grand Duke of Hesse and Princess Alice of England. They had three sons, Prince Waldemar, born in 1889; Prince Heinrich Sigismund, born in 1896, and Prince Heinrich, born in 1900, who died at the age of 4. In February last it was learned that Prince Henry was seriously ill, suffering with cancer of the larynx, a malady which also affected his father. The absence of the Prince from Doorn on the occasion of the recent celebration of the ex-Kaiser's 70th birthday focused public attention on his condition.

Mrs. E. Infanin Xavier.

The funeral took place yesterday afternoon at the Roman Catholic cemetery of Mrs. Estafania Xavier, widow of the late Mr. Ishido Xavier, founder of the Hongkong Printing Press, Ltd.

The deceased was sixty years of age, and passed away early on Sunday morning at her residence, No. 5 Minden Avenue, after a long illness.

### House Endangered.

The extent of the fire could hardly have been realised by residents during the afternoon, but with the fall of night it was revealed in an alarming way. Those who saw the flames going up the southern side of Mount Cameron spoke of a terrifying spectacle. The nearest house to the area of the fire is that of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Taylor, which is situated right under the shoulder of the hill. At one time the fire came so close that its heat was felt by those inside the house. A garage attached to the house was saved in the nick of time, and it is a matter for congratulation that an arid patch of ground which lies in between the house and perhaps saving it from the risks attendant upon a conflagration of this nature.

The chief mourners were Messrs. P. A. Xavier, R. Xavier, L. V. Xavier, V. G. Xavier, P. M. Xavier and G. Santos. Rev. Father Spada, assisted by Rev. Father Granelli and Rev. Father P. Lu, officiated at the graveside.

Floral tributes were sent by members of the family and other relatives, and a large number of friends; as well as by the staff of the Hongkong Printing Press, Ltd., and Messrs. C. E. Warren and Co., Ltd.

## HILLSIDE BLAZE.

### BIG AREA INVOLVED LAST EVENING.

Residents of the Colony were last night thrilled by the unusual spectacle of a bush fire which occurred on the south side of the Island and spread over such a large area that at one time the authorities were seriously concerned as to the safety of houses situated near the outbreak. In its most spectacular form, the fire was seen as a line of flames along the whole ridge of Mount Cameron, occasionally shooting up at various points to a considerable height. Here it seemed to have been checked by a north-easterly wind, at length dying down, and by eleven o'clock, the whole scene resumed its accustomed peaceful aspect under the brilliant moonlight.

While it lasted, the fire was visible from all parts of the Colony, and people crossing the ferries found relief from the usual monotony of such trips in a speculation of the probable cause and extent of the outbreak.

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Meeting Postponed.

London, April 20.

The death of Lord Revelstoke, of whom long obituary notices appear in all the newspapers, led to the postponement yesterday of the meeting of the Committee of Experts, which for the past two months has been sitting in Paris to consider possible ways of effecting a final settlement of Germany's reparations negotiations.

It was feared that yesterday's meeting would see the culmination of the crisis, which arose with the filing of the German delegation's memorandum setting out an offer for a final and complete settlement. Lord Revelstoke was the Chairman of the Sub-Committee appointed to discuss the offer.

The impression which gained currency that the German memorandum should be regarded as an ultimatum was corrected last night by Doctor Schacht, the Chief German delegate, and it is now understood that it was not meant to be the last word on the subject. In these circumstances the newspapers express the hope that the postponement occasioned by the

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### PETTY OFFENDERS.

PERTINENT COMMENTS BY MAGISTRATE.

Unlicensed hawkers and petty offenders headed the list before Mr. E. W. Hamilton this morning. A man, respectably dressed in European clothes, denied a charge of hawking bottles of medicine, but failed to give a satisfactory reply when asked by his Worship if he "was merely taking the bottles out for a walk." He was fined \$5 or eight days.

A woman offender, perhaps with the thought of evoking compassion from the Bench, had brought in a small child and was holding it in her arms when his Worship asked "Did you borrow the child for this occasion, or is it your own?"

The woman:—It is my own child, and I am a widow.

His Worship:—All right, then I shall fine you only \$1 for hawking without a license.

To a small boy who had offended the law by riding a bicycle

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### SERIOUS ASSAULT ALLEGATION.

### POURING BOILING WATER ON CHINESE LAD.

### "YOU BIG BULLY!"

Allegations of a serious nature were made against a shop boy before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, when a dastardly act of assault was described to his Worship.

According to Detective Sergeant Humphreys, the complainant alleged that the defendant tied him up and then poured boiling water over his hands and feet.

The defendant admitted to his Worship that he had assaulted the defendant, but denied that he was guilty of the act alleged by the boy. He said that the lad was running away from him when he knocked over a pot of boiling water.

It was pointed out by the police that only the boy's hands and feet had been scalded, his body being uninjured.

His Worship remarked that if the statement made by the complainant were true, his (his Worship) could not see how the defendant could be let off with a fine.

Detective Sergeant Humphreys replied that the defendant was charged under the Ordinance prohibiting persons from assaulting children under the age of 14, and that the maximum penalty was a fine of \$100, or six months.

The defendant stated, in reply to his Worship, that he had assaulted the boy because he had stolen some firewood.

His Worship:—What business have you to assault him for stealing fire wood? What do you think the police are for? There's nothing to laugh about. This is a very serious matter. You need not smile like that, you big bully.

Sergeant Humphreys intimated that the defendant seemed to have treated the whole matter as a big joke.

Without divulging his reasons, his Worship remanded the defendant for 24 hours, bail being fixed at \$100.

### END OF YANGTSZE FIGHTING.

### HUPEH GENERALS ACCEPT PEACE TERMS.

### TO TAKE A HOLIDAY.

Hankow, April 21. It is reliably reported that General Hu-Tsung-tu and General Tao Chun, the Hupeh leaders, have agreed to Marshall Chiang Kai-shek's terms and will surrender. Their arms will be handed over to the Central Government for re-organisation purposes, while the leaders themselves will depart for the purpose of "pursuing their studies abroad."

It is part of Marshal Chiang's guarantee that they will go abroad with financial assistance from the Nanking Government.

The danger of further hostilities up river is thus obviated and the entire province of Hunan now owes allegiance to the Nanking Government.—Reuters.

The news is confirmed in Chinese sources, where it is learned that Ching Yue-wei has also surrendered. It is also stated that the three generals will receive a sum of \$100,000 from Nanking on condition that they leave China within a specified period.

The end of their resistance came on Saturday when Nanking troops captured Machaotai, which is only five miles from Shashi. Hu Tsung-tu's men immediately evacuated for Ichang, while Ching Yue-wei's forces occupied Shashi, which is in a state of siege over the week-end.

It is stated that the Hupeh leaders were in conference at Shashi and decided to surrender when shells from the Nanking gunboats began to drop unpleasantly near their place of meeting.

Feng and Chiang.

Peking, April 21. Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang's delegates have paid another visit to Hankow and as the result of conferences with Marshal Chiang Kai-shek it is announced that the two leaders have come to an understanding.

The Central Government will allow Marshal Feng to co-operate

### THE REPARATIONS BREAKDOWN.

### STRONG HOPES FOR NEXT PLENARY SESSION.

### REVELSTOKE'S DEATH.

London, April 21. Strong hopes are now entertained by the British Press that the breakdown of the Experts' Conference on German reparations now proceeding in Paris, may be averted.

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The German delegates are expected to be back in Paris in time to attend the funeral service for Lord Revelstoke, which will be held tomorrow.

Memorial services for Lord Revelstoke, who will be buried at Revelstoke, South Devon, will be held in London both in the City and at Saint Margaret's, Westminster, on Tuesday. The Prince of Wales will represent the King at the latter service.—British Wireless.

Berlin, April 21.

Dr. Schacht and Herr Voegler have been in consultation with the Cabinet and have clearly stated that the Memorandum presented to the Reparations Committee in Paris contained no political suggestions.

The Cabinet has renewed their authority to exercise a free hand.—Reuters.

### SPANISH STUDENTS' COMPLAINTS.

### LAID BEFORE BRITISH TOURISTS.

Paris, April 21. A message from Valencia states that a crowd of students surrounded twenty British tourists and explained their hostility against the Government.

Fighting against General Primo de Rivera is strongly displayed, and the closing of the University is momentarily expected.—Reuters.

### MISSISSIPPI BREAKS ITS BANKS.

### 4,000 ACRES FLOODED IN MARION COUNTY.

New York, April 21. It is learned from Quincy, Illinois, that an embankment in Marion County, Missouri, broke last night under the pressure of the rising waters of the Mississippi, and over four thousand acres of land are now flooded.—Reuters American Service.

### NEW BATTLESHIPS FOR U.S.A?

### NAVY DEPARTMENT PLANNING FOR 1931.

Washington, April 21.

The preliminary estimates prepared by the Navy Department for the fiscal year 1931, recommend the raising of funds for the construction of two new battleships.

If the plans are approved, these will be the first capital-ship replacements under the Washington Treaty.—Reuters.

### CLOUDY WEATHER.

The Royal Observatory reports that the willy-cyclone is moving eastward and is now central over the Eastern Sea. The depression is situated in the immediate vicinity of Hazodale. Fresh monsoon will prevail along the S.E. coast of China and over the North China Sea. The forecast till noon to-morrow is:—N.E. winds, fresh;

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